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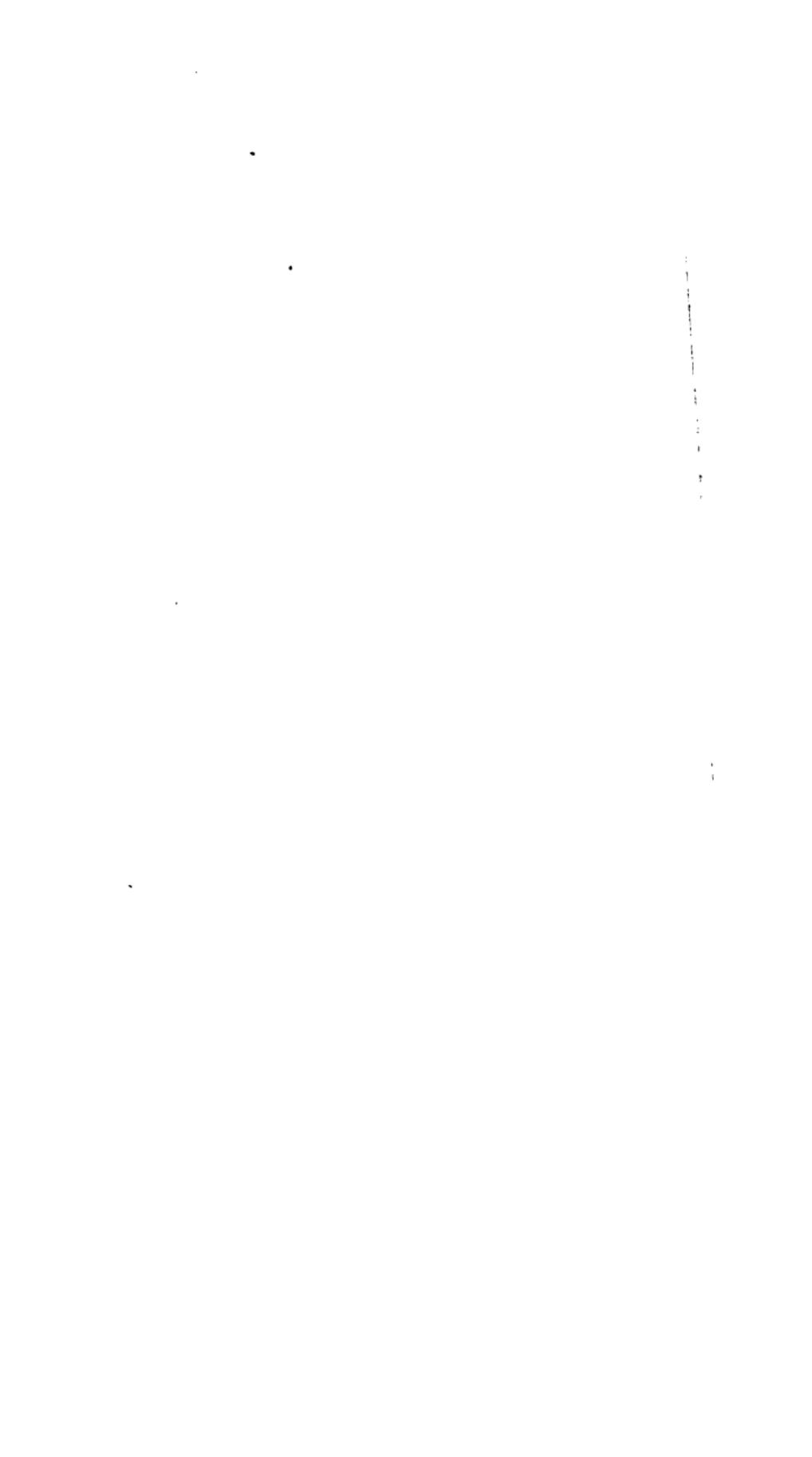


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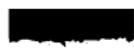


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T H E

# High-German Doctor.

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*Hermodactyl, Nephew to Alexander Bendo.*

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*See Sirs, see here,  
A Doctor Rare!*

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*Tuesday, May 4. 1714.*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*



HE Eminence of my former Practice, and long Familiarity with the most Intricate CASES which can possibly happen, have, I presume, so well Establish'd my Character, (especially the wonderful Cures I have perform'd the Four Years past) that I need not Address you in a Suppliant Way to become my Patients.

MEN of narrow Spirits, and cool Hearts, set forth too Humble Thoughts of themselves; continue busy in their Progress, and ingratiate themselves with mankind to maintain their Character: But to Men of

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Fine,

*Fire, warm Imagination, and uncontested Skill, all Diffidence is Pernicious; therefore your old Dr. Hermodadyl, has not scrupled to appear on Stage of Great Britain, and more particularly in Famous Metropolis.*

THE stinging Reproaches I underwent from Populace, about Seven Years ago, for a small Err Practice, might, I confess, have discourag'd a less guine Man than my self, and tempted him to Renk all Compassion toward such Vitulent Natures; but strong Propension to the Good of the Publick, lift above those mean Considerations, and stifles all Resentments which are apt to rise in the Breast Great Genius's. Ye Britons are the most F People of the Universe, and therefore no Practit ought to be discourag'd at any Errors he commis his Art, it being your Custom to run down the Deserving with Vehemence, and restore them to you in a Fit of Passion.

WHEN I seriously Reflect upon what Grounds so many Popular Clamours were rais'd against me, a few Years since, for hindering (as it was the Operation of a certain Purge upon a vigorous French-Man, by Mixing Astringent Medicines in the Dose; I pity the Ignorance of Mankind in general, and appeal to the Judicious, Whether it was possible for my Servant, who always attended in my Elaboratory, to dispense those Ingredients without Privity, or involving his Master in the Secret; especially since he took the Miscarriage upon himself to the last, and I appear'd Intrepid upon the Charge.

I know it has been a prevailing Objection a

the People, That I was not bred a *Regular Physician*; even look'd upon as a Man of Penetration: That have always busied my self in musty old Records, foreign to my Profession; and, consequently, not capable of Forming a right Judgment of Constitutions. Besides, That I was a meer *Quack*, and after my Disgrace, little better than a *Bankrupt*. But I could easily reply to these Calumnies, and let the Detractors know, That our Art, at the best, is but Conjectural; and tho' the Methodical Systems have obtain'd in the World, to give an Handle to *Crude Disputations* in the Schools, and *Mechanical Solutions*, yet the *Empirical Practice* is the most Antient, and greatest Cures have been effected that Way, of which I am a Living Witness; who, without concerning my self about the Signature of Plants, or considering Diseases, either as *Idiopathic*, or *Symptomatical*, have, by Applying Medicines after the Dictates of my own Fancy, (except that I have consulted my Tumbler *Harry* now and then, in the Fatigue of my Practice) puzzled all the Physicians of the present Age, made them begin to despise all former Methodists, and swear in private, That I am the Luckiest, of an Illiterate Fellow, that ever trod a Stage: Nay, acknowledge that there is not that great Necessity of making such nice Enquiries into the Constitutions of the People; but that a Doctor appearing Bold and Daring, and who can Rail fluent-ly at all other Physicians, as *Quacks* and *Pretenders* who have been concern'd in the Case before he was call'd in, the Patient may do well, and a *Constitution will help it self*.

AS to that ill-bred Cavil at my former Poverty, I  
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could let the Slanderers know, that I impair'd Fortune by some Religious Acts; and, by too much Credulity, ran out a very fine Estate in Endowing a *Meeting-House* for the Edification of the Saints; it's my Comfort, at the present, that I am at a loss with Brother *Rat*—ff, and could purchase the rest of the Faculty, out of one Article of my Honest *Guaranty*. *The Cure of an Epidemical consuming Gleet* which had weaken'd a great Part of the Nation.

If Boasting was my Talent, I could surprize the World with a Present I receiv'd from a generous Sovereign, for Curing him of a *Cachexy*. His Honour was Emaciated to the last Degree, his Pulse low, Blood exhausted, and the Disease preying upon the Vitals: He had made use of a very eminent Doctor for Nine Years, he still kept Bleeding him; a Doctor no Man would have Prescrib'd, but with an intent to destroy him; and for which no plausible Person could be assign'd, but that the Gentleman had been formerly esteem'd *Plethoraick*, and full of Blood. After many Struggles for this Patient, and some appointments, I was call'd in at last. In Two Months Time, I aver it, the Old Gentleman recover'd to Admiration; and all his Neighbours were wish'd; for which Miraculous Cure, he gave me *Harry*, over and above my Gratuity, a very Jewel, as an Acknowledgment of the Service I done him.

If it would be endless to run over the Vulgar Curiosities I have perform'd in a few Years: I claim your attention to nothing but what is Scandalous in itself. I cur'd a Great Officer in the Army, about two Years ago.

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¶ a large Swelling in his Head, by a very par-  
Method: There was a great Consu't upon the  
most Physicians were of Opinion, That the  
t would abate without any Application; that  
as no manner of Danger to his Constitution,  
*Cutaneous*. I gain'd two or three Censors of  
the Side, who swore the Matter was  
on the *Pericranium*: Upon this I took Con-  
d declar'd my Opinion was for Opening his  
but that being over-rul'd, as too desperate an-  
nent, I forbad him the Use of Superfluities;  
l him from the Lodgings he was in at St.  
, Judging the Air too keen; and after I had  
him to a low Diet, sent him to the Spa for  
sover; for all which, tho' I received no Per-  
cknowledgment at his Hands, yet there was a  
Presen: sent me by an unknown Benefactor,  
ew the Value of the Cure.

may be objected by some People, who vainly  
my successful Practice, *That having acquir'd*  
*some Competency, it favours strongly of Ava-*  
*over any more, and that this publick Notice*  
*in Air of Quackery.* To this I answer, That  
ways influenc'd by Selfish Desires, but only  
ime Cost for my Medicines, having mar-  
Son *Cochineal* to a great Heirels, and  
ighter to a Gentleman of *Equivalent* Sub-  
and this publick Notice is so far from a  
*Bill*, that nothing but Strain'd Malice can give  
ther Denomination than *A Generous Adver-*  
*to the Distressed.* It is not my Design to ap-  
the *Publick Stage* but upon some extraordi-

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nary Call, when some difficult Amputation is perform'd, or large Excrescencies to be sever'd from the Vital Part of the Body.

AND as my Design in View is very extensive and Capacity great, so I shall not confine my self entirely to the *Physical Part*; but, as Opportunity offers, I shall, at my own Dwelling-House, calculate Nativities; tell Fortunes; point out the Lucky and Unlucky Days of a Man's Life; give shrewd conjectures who is likely to die an Untimely Death, a Natural; read the Soul in the Phisiognomy; the Critical Minute for some People's coming Seas, others for going over; discover concealed Thefts; and read Dissertations Monthly on the Medical Effects of Cold Tea and Syrrup; with Variety of other Cases which may fall in my Way.

N. B. I Live at a great House, with two Entrances in Front, near the Star and Garter-Tavern; Fore-Door for Persons of Reputation; the Back-Door for People under Suspicious Habits of Body, in Twilight.

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## The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup> 2.

From Tuesday, May 4. to Friday, May 7. 1714.

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

MY Fame enlarging Daily with my Practice since the first Publication of my Advertisements; and having, for the more faithful Preparation of my Medicines, and careful Inspection into all the Branches of my illustrious Art, erected an *Elaboratory*, *Dispensary*, and *Surgery*, within my own Verge, I have found my self oblig'd to take into my Service various Operators in different Capacities, all Persons of extraordinary Qualifications, tho' of no great Figure or Eminence before they came acquainted with my Method of Practice: But true Merit is never rightly understood till confirm'd by a Series of happy Events, which I aver they have more Right to boast of already than any of their Predecessors of the Stage.

WITH Submission to the Learned, I think it cannot be expected I should attend every Case, and Cure, in Person, having, besides the infinite Demands made upon me Hourly in the several *Faculties*, so many Experiments of Moment, to the Curious, going on in my private *Elaboratory*, of so nice a Nature, and which require a certain Degree of Heat

that I cannot entrust them with any *Tr* Science, for fear of breaking my Glasses, a gering the Operator: Ever since my Man ian Eye in attending a *Sublimation of Merc* been very tender; but he having arriv'd Exactness in his Operations, I leave the so tion of them to him, who, by his work: sometimes improves my Experiment.

M Y Talent lying chiefly to the *Dis*, take some Time to consider the Case; and have, in Ridicule, imputed my *Down-Cast* want of *Presence of Mind*, and *Sufficiency*, known to all Men, that I am, at the same amining the Beat of the Pulse; and wh with a proper Vibration, I cure him as ex as Brother R——ff, with his *Black-Che* and *Crabs-Eyes*.

H A V I N G observ'd for some Years, th and *Vapours* are the Reigning Distemper Climate, I make it a standing Rule with m out the merryest Fellows in all the *Facult* fall within my Cognizance, to place in Classes under me, from my *Shell-Grinder* my *Zanies* and *Stage-Sweepers*. There is so Taking in a Sprightliness and Vivacit carries a Meaning where there is none This joyn'd to a Dexterity in Asking out *Questions*, which cannot be well answer'd den, and then taking the Advantage of tha by a Clever Sneer, defeats abundance of It cies in Embryo, which, if indulg'd, would g a troublesome Maturity.

?LY is the most insipid of all my Retinues, and Appearance, but his Head is turn'd to having been busied in Transmutation ofer since he came to Age. As he was ne- in Principles, so he is pretty Chimerical in iments ; and affecting to talk Mysterious Points of Science, he thereby conceals om the Vulgar. He is very useful to me in Correspondence, and in frequent Consult- iest of a good *Magical Head*, who are al- at Work in the *Elaboratory*, attempting, Glasses to raise a Baslard Plant out of the Vegetable ; and have lately put some In- in Digestion in *Balneo Arena*, which they me will raise a surprizing *Mandrake* in a- hs. I smile to my self, but having a Reve- ll Operations of that kind, I acquiesce, tho' y self with Producing a nobler Experiment Caput Mortuum of a certain infirm *Animal* ry Day under my Hand.

*Tarry Gambol* is the smartest Fellow which my Stage. He was the prettyest *Tumbler* owl'd over a Carpet ; and for a *Rope*, the g had always a Genius, I believe he will e the Smell of it : His Sister *Nanny* at- lls has been distanc'd a *Leap* and a *Capers*. Time that ever I put a *Launcet* into his for'd him out of his proper Way, he ha- upon him a more Arrogant Air alate : He- Turance to affirm the other Day (upon a hat was rais'd by some of the Censors of ) about a Cafe in which we were jointly:

concern'd, That he had been consulted, at it was *Mala Praxis*. I ask'd him, in a merry How he came by that wonderful Skill? He answered me roundly, As you came by yours, Dignissime. However, I like him much for his Solutions difficult Case before him, and his bold *Amput* tho' I must confess I am for leaving on even a if it can be of any manner of use to the Bod these different Methods are serviceable. I him chiefly to *Surgery*, but have entrusted to *Ciicks* with him, which he has made use of woderful Success in some *Chronical Cases*. sons of Figure he always gives the *Aurum pro re natâ*. To those of lower Consideration coction of *Agrigentina*, Anglice *Silver-Weed* as effectual; and if he does not expel the M at least he makes a *Palliative Cure* for the and makes them easy. He is very Captious not communicate all my *Nostrums* to him; I have a certain Method of Taking him i *Elaboratory*, and putting soine Ingredients i *Crucible*, and Averring, that's the Expertis long'd for, and he grows tractable: He is Young Rogue, pamper'd with four Bottles a day and clean Diet, which makes him prone to C This, to my Grief, I see every Day demo by the Young Wenchies Handing up *Billet* their Gloves and Handkerchiefs, under C Buying Packets. The Arch Knave costs m Sun every Year for his Frolics. He rambl times in his *Fool's-Coast*, by way of Disgr falls in *Pell Mell*, with the *Stage Waggon*

near St. Giles's Pound, where he makes a terrible Slaughter amongst the Country Nymphs, for which I am forc'd to make ample Satisfaction. In Airs, he threatens to print my *Nostrums* upon but having alter'd the Ingredients so often since new malepert, I defy his Malice.

O be plain, the Young Rogue having a good Tread, and a tolerable Manner, he diverts an Lady in my Family, after the Fatigue of the , with the stale Jests he has broke to the Mob, makes her laugh to such an Excess, that if she any ways *Dropfical*, I should fear a Breach in the men.

shall conclude my Advertisements with a Dining Story of *Harry's* Practice: About Two years since, Seven or Eight Foreigners, of different Nations, came to his Surgery, Complaining of some Symptoms they had receiv'd from an English Lawyer. Harry told them, the Symptoms portended no danger, and advis'd them to submit to a gentle Flux; Majority agreed, upon Condition I would be able in my Demands; but an High-German, Dutchman, could by no means digest the Proposition. Harry, by my Advice, proceeded to Flux the

the Penitents in the Stew-Pan, and Receiving  
vourable Report, encourag'd by that Advice, j  
them the next Day. Harry resolv'd to mak  
*German* and *Dutchman* pay severely for their  
Borneſſe: He had no ſooner put on the *Geſt*  
*Flanneſt-Cap* and *Chin-Stay*, but, by the Adv  
*Roselle*, the *French Surgeon*, gives him a *D*  
*Dote*, and heightens the *Dutchman's*: In  
Days they ſwell'd prodigiously, and all their  
loosen'd; the rest went on proſperouſly. My  
whom I lent them, giving me an Account of  
State thro' the whole Course of their *Saliv*.  
During this Pennance, *Harry* and *Roselle* uſc  
quently to hide themſelves behind the Hanging  
burst with Laughter to see the *German* ſcre  
Face, and the *Dutchman* sweat. D---m thi  
*Hermodactyl* (says the *German*) I feel Racking  
all over me, I ſhall lose half my Limbs in thiſ  
tal. *Sacrament* (says the *Dutchman*) I fee  
Bridge of my Nose loose, and a damn'd Pain  
Under-Jaw: — I'll cut Gambol's Throat, w  
am well. To be ſhort, the *German* went off  
the Loſs of a Limb, Vowing to be reveng'd, bu  
derwent a Scarification by *Roselle* for a Year  
The *Dutchman's* Nose was preserv'd; but he  
all the Teeth of his lower Mandible, which he  
plies with false ones for the preſent, how laſti  
know not; but 'twas their Fault in not Sul  
ting.

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## The High-German Doctor. N° 3.

From Friday, May 7. to Tuesday, May 11. 1714.

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Gentlemen and Ladies,

THERE are so many *Intricate Cases*, and those *Epidemical*, continually flowing in upon me, from all Quarters of *Great Britain*, which require immediate Dispatch, that I fear I shall be totally employ'd for the future, in Answering the Necessities of Distress'd People, and be forc'd to refer the Practical Part to my Operators in the several Faculties.

BUT that the Publick may be no Loser by this *Confin'd Practice*, I shall, from Time to Time, commit to Print the History of all remarkable *Cases* which fall under my View; and, by Digesting them into proper Classes, furnish out that so long Expected and Useful *British Ephemeris* of Diseases.

THE generality of my Patients, alate, complain of a violent Disorder in the Head; great Dimness, attended with Deafness; an Obstruction of the Vessels; a constant Throbbing in all the Members of the Body, with a slight Inflammation, a great Chillness of the Bowels, and a Deadness in the Extremity of all the Parts.

THIS I must own a very difficult Case, there being

being a *Contra-Indication*; but I will free the World (as all Ingenuous and Learned culty ought) That this Obstruction in th owes its Rife, in a great measure, to that vity of *Jesuits-Powder* I gave my Patie Years since, when they labour'd under an sing-Feaver: But I promise them, if they mit, and not ask so many impertinent Qu bout the Ingredients I put in each Dose, be reliev'd to their Satisfaction in a li But my Province sure is the hardest of all to deal with so many *Suspicious People* Doors, and some equally *Jealous Within.*

SINCE Busines has crowded in up thick late, I have been advis'd, by som who consult my Grandeur more than Ti to keep a *Publick Levee*, which I readily gr be proper for the Dispatch of Busines; bu wing so many Species of Distempers fall my Care, there might, it's possible, be for *Fronted Patients*, who could not be bro Demonstration: But above all, not bei with the most Promising Look, I am w Apprehension it might take off from the my Art.

BUT that no Person may be liable to in Applying for Advice, I shall name the ners under me, and their respective Provi gularity being the Life of Busines.

THE World is satisfy'd by this Time, bol has the Direction of the *Surgery*, a keen a Pair of *Probe-Scissars*, and a *Saw*, and

and *Ointments* which fall within the Compass of that Art; and whatever *Arteries* and *Tendons* he has prick'd, or *Nerves* he has unskillfully divided, I have made more than sufficient *Amends* for those Mistakes by my *Weapon-Salve*. But since he is an *Operator* of some Standing, I hope there will be fewer Complaints.

*QUB* is a Person whom I am oblig'd to set pretty high in my List, not for the great Regard I pay to his Merit, but that he claims a Precedence of others, on the Score of his Seniority, and long Experience; and being cover'd with Years, draws in some Old Matrons and Grey-Beards now and then, and so helps to support the Stage. He is not the Man I should recommend for a *Modern Practitioner*, he being so obstinately bent to the *Chymical Practice*; and as most People are apt to give into that Advice, which their Necessities have made useful to them, he is continually Prescribing *Oleum Guiaci* and *Saffafras*, and a Mastication of *Elecampane Root*, or *Mastic*, for the Breath.

HE is now grown unfashionable and indolent, tho' it's necessary for me to keep a fair Hand with him, because his *Diploma* is of an older Date than mine, and some of the weaker Sort love to see him upon the Stage, tho' he is impertinently busy.

He covets to follow the Stage, tho' he has no manner of Busines there, but to spread the *Carpets*, dispose the *Boxes*, and put the *Packets* in Order against I mount. Having been a Practitioner of some Note in former Days, he sometimes threatens to make a Figure in Velvet once more, and set up for himself,

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if I don't raise his Vails; but I am under v  
Apprehension from him, the Method of Pi  
this Time being very different from his; bi  
ving some Smattering of Poetry, and a grea  
for Motto's, he heads my Bills with such  
Devices, as the *Hand* and *Urinal*, *Apollo* Tr:  
the *Python* with an Arrow; and with apt R  
of Poetry, such as — *Principiis obſta*; —  
*eſt Occasio calva* —

*CODICIL* has the chief Management  
*Dispensary*; having formerly been pretty b  
Preparations of *Cinnabar*, his Opticks are e:  
weaken'd, tho' his Intellects remain good  
Day. Before he came to my Stage, he was:  
gent as my self, not thro' want of Ability  
had a Faculty of Gaming away his Patient  
without coming to Visit them after the fu:  
scription, which render'd him Contemptible;  
ving a good keen Way of Talking, I took h  
my Service to run down a Popular Doctor v  
all'd my Practice: He did it so effectually  
in Reward of his Services, I made him Chief  
*Dispensary*, and gave him the Propriety  
*Eduarium Pacificum*, with the Privilege of  
his Seal to it; the Credit of which, I solemn:  
clare, I no ways envy him: A Medicine fo:  
table in its kind, that I never yet heard an  
complain of it, (except that it was a little  
dos'd with *French Tartar*) and so noble an'  
that it locks up all manner of Pain for the p  
which must be a very comfortable Relief to s  
have labour'd under *Cholick Pains* for Eight o

Years to her; and whom even Dr. *Mirabel* could not remedy.

HE is well seen in Titles of Glasses and Boxes; and whenever I bring in a Row of new Gally-Pots into the *Dispensary*, he Labels them all in Capital Letters.

I purpose to leave him in Possession of all my Papers at my Death, (tho' I must do him the Honour to say, He wants no Assistance from my Manuscripts) upon Condition he does not mount a Stage upon Tower-Hill, or the Precincts of this Populous City, and takes me in for Partnership, which some People, Enemies I believe to us both, would insinuate he is inclin'd to. But —

*SMUT* is the Darling, he is the wittiest Knaver of my whole Family, and is all the Comfort I have in my Hours of Recess: I often take him out with me in my *Chaise* to *Brentford*, where he and I laugh together half a Day at the Stupidity of some topping Doctors, and their deluded Patients. That's the Time I take to give him the History of my Practice, and what Distempers are under Cure, which he faithfully communicates to the Publick in his *Weekly Bills*. There we railly the frequent Mistakes made by the *Regular Practitioners* of this Age, and the imprudent Measures they take to restore themselves to Credit when they lie under Popular Prejudices.

WHEN a Clamour is rais'd against them, they throw the Blame upon the *Apothecaries* and *Nurses*, and offer to expose every distinct Prescription to Vulgar Eyes. Alas, our Method is much Greater:

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First we tie our selves to no Rule, and then at Liberty to Prescribe as we please : But i think that too *Arbitrary*, *Smut* contend Goodness of the Medicines in general, and Blame on the Vicious Humours of the Body Texture of the Blood. Others let their know what they take ; we think it not prudent but Dangerous to inform them, Disordering the Spirits ; and then no Physician work amiss, and a *Vomit* passes for a *Purge* or a *Vomit*. In short, *Smut* is th respectfull to me, and his Superiors of the Staffe Printing a Bill but you shall find Dr. *Heron* *Aesculapius*; *Gambol* a *Paracelsus*. but Two Things in his Character which one reflects upon my Reputation, in taking of a Garret in dismal Weeds ; the other Conscience, in Retaining such an Infidel.

*ATTY Brogue* is very useful to me i Capacity, tho' I can scarce tell in what Case him : He is of the same Use to my Stage in a Printing-House : He cuts off manyencies in the Course of my Practice. Ward Patients come to the *Dispensary*, Co of the Dearness of my Foreign Drugs, *All* is, *Good People, the French Druggist, who use of, has the Best and most Palatable Dr Universe; and tho' you pay double the Price Specie, to what you pay for the same Dr other Shop; tho' you could have them by a change of other Commodities, yet I aver the*

*and Better. — You are convinc'd, I hope. — The People, confounded at his Assurance, go off; but murmur by the Way, This Hermodactyl has a Set of clever Fellows; — What Mischief might they do, if they were Rational?*

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## The High-German Doctor. [N<sup>o</sup> 4.]

*From Tuesday, May 11. to Friday, May 14. 1714.*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

THAT the Fair Sex may not complain of being neglected in that Generous Provision I have made for all the Casualties incident to the other Species, I have, pursuant to the laudable Method observ'd by my Brother, Sir William of Durham-Yard, retain'd a Female Practitioner, that the nicest Cases may be resolv'd without Provoking a Blush, so natural to the Face, in all Questions relating to Love and its Dependencies.

IT amazes me to see the Petulancy of some Young Wenches of this Age: One came from Hampstead, the other Day, to my House, to have a Dream expounded of her Sweetheart Harry's Untying her Girdle, at so unseasonable an Hour as Two in the Morning, (whether she had heard of some of

*the*

the *Vagaries* of our Family, I know not) but she would not be pacify'd till she had carefully search'd behind the Hangings, for fear of Young Gambol's Lurking in some Corner.

AS our She-Patients are of different Complexions, and some under too nice a Restraint, even with their own Sex, I always take Care to leave the *Sal Volatile* Bottle out, in Order to invigorate the Spirits of the Bashful, that we may have the stark-naked Truth without Reserves.

MY Cousin *Poplin* is the Person in whom I chiefly confide; she has certainly the greatest Dexterity, in Managing her Patients, of any Modern Practitioner, and more useful to me than any of my *Stage Pensioners*. There are so many Eyes upon her in the Neighbourhood, who come to our House under Pretence of Seeing the *Dispensary*, or perhaps for the sake of a rich Cordial, continually putting cramp Questions to her about our Oeconomy, besides those who come on purpose to banter her Practice, and railly the Meaness of her Education, that it requires great Presence of Mind, and consummate Parts, to Answer or Evade to satisfaction, all Questions which fall under demand.

SOME People, who never dive beneath the Surface of Things, imagine all Discourses over a Tea-Table as insipid as the Liquor they drink: My Cousin *Poplin* is always upon the Guard, whilst she acts the *Gossip*, and makes the Advantage of the meanest Thought which drops from the Board, and forms some useful Idea's out of it, to succour our languishing Credit, as I have many a

good

Practical System out of a Jest, and the *Tale of*  
*that has been crack'd over a Bottle.*

I am now fully convinc'd, That all great Events  
ring to a Force of Genius without Art; and  
Conduct, with weak People, surpasses Knowl-

I dare match her in Phyick with the *Boasted*  
*'enon's, and Uzfini's* in Politicks: They have  
died in their way by Bold and Masterly Stroaks;  
do assure you her Confidence is no ways in-

terred her a *Manteau-Maker*, not dreaming at that  
time, I should ever had Occasion of Employing  
this Way; but, upon a due Reflection, I find  
transition so Natural, from Shaping the Body  
y, to a perfect knowledge of the Constitution,  
shall, for her sake and my own, hereafter have  
aner Opinion of all *Graduates* in the several  
ties.

THE Woman who knows the Ornamental Part of  
, and pins up a Tail to Advantage, must cer-  
nily understand the *Mechanism* of the Parts;  
he that dresses an *Head* with a good Air,  
the Intellects of the Person, and gives a com-  
t Guess at the Texture of the Brain she has un-  
er *Embeilishment*.

ER great Industry and Application have very  
conduc'd to the Influence she has over a She-  
nt of mine; and whenever any severe Courses  
been Prescrib'd by the more knowing of the  
ity, she has still indulg'd to the *Weak Side* of  
*Distemper'd*, which has given her all the Oppor-  
ies of Ingratiating herself, which arise from  
Sympathy

Sympathy, and a tender Regard to the Sufferings o  
the Distressed Person; and tho' some have Faulted  
that Method of Practice, as Feeding the Passion  
rather than Eradicating the Disease, yet I must, in  
this Case, appear in her Vindication, and declare  
When the Spirits are keen, and the Patients froward  
especially when they have a Mortal Antipathy to th  
Medicines prescrib'd.

ROUGH Physick has been dispens'd for som  
Years past, to the great Astonishment of all such  
wary Practitioners, and tho' it work'd well upon  
*Strong* and *Athletick* Bodies, I could never be recon  
cil'd to it, especially that Searching Preparation c  
*English Steel Tartariz'd*, and frequent *Pblebotomie*  
upon the *French*, for tho' they may throw off a grea  
many *Vicious Recrements*, yet being a fatiguing  
Course, I always fid *Laudanum* my safest Refuge  
and whilst the Patients slumber, they are easy to a  
the Spectators, and seldom so Impertinent to a  
what is doing to them: Thus a Doctor keeps hi  
Patients in Suspence for some Months, and if the  
happen to Die, so there has been no Torturing-Me  
thod used in the Course, he is reckon'd Compassionate  
and escapes without much Clamour.

THIS is what I depend upon, in a great Mea  
sure, in the Course of my Practice, unless that I giv  
a few *Alteratives* now and then, more for Ostenta  
tion than real Use; so that if any ill Symptom  
should appear on my Patients hereafter, I flatter m  
self they will be very much perplex'd, whether to fi  
the Blame on the Violence of the Distemper, or in  
Physick.

W<sup>w</sup> I am upon this Association of Genius  
it brings to Mind an Instance of my  
Opin's Practice upon a She-Patient, in a  
Struggle between her and one Jenniko, a Do-  
Eminence in her Way, for a Wealthy Lady  
out<sup>t</sup> Country, who abounded with gross  
, and a deprav'd Stomach. Jenniko had  
long acquainted with Madam Fontanelle's ill  
Body, and a High-spirited Woman withall,  
Score of her successful Practice; so that  
she had the least Pain at her Stomach,  
instantly prescrib'd the *Bitter Decoction*  
*de Senna*; a Method she often complain'd  
ofus Poplin in private: *Fontanelle*, its true,  
Decoction as prescrib'd, but no sooner was  
's Back turn'd, but all was thrown up again  
any Effect: The Doctress being somewhat  
sus, kept a Spy in the Family to give her  
ence of the Operation: Matters were not  
so close, but that she came into the Secret,  
senting the Slight which was put upon her  
, told Madam *Fontanelle*, very roundly one  
*he apprehended there was not that Regularity*  
*d in the Course as she could wish, that tho'*  
*Symptoms did not visibly increase, the Vicious*

it your Stomach's better, your Eyes look m  
and your Countenance more radiant, all  
of the Body look clearer, and a generous  
diffus'd thro' all the Viscera.

MY Cousin Poplin, at that Time, was n  
to a Size of giving her Advice *ex Profes*  
Learned term it, but still kept Humo  
Lady; and whenever Jenniko took her l  
ready with a Feather in her Sleeve, to  
Discharge. As Fontanelle complained,  
opportunity of heightening the Resentme  
Madam, says she one Day, *I cannot imag*  
Jenniko means; She finds this Physick goi  
you, and what can be her Aim in Torturing  
this manner? Certainly there might be  
Method found out to make you easie. I  
my small Practice, known, That Palatable  
and leaving the Patient at Discretion, to  
Drink, and Live as he pleases, have conduc  
Health, than all the Rigorous Methods of  
French Fig which is Sweet and Solutive, ta  
Morning, will be much gentler Physick, a  
off that Bitterness in your Stomach. My Co  
modactyl gave it me as a Specifick  
Case, and prefers it to all the Bi  
Dress Jenniko, and other Pretenders  
Faculty.

THE Lady yielded to the Advice bes  
pectation, and finding it work so gently,  
she might take it at pleasure, without so m  
quiries, discharg'd Jenniko from her Attenda  
gave my Cousin Poplin a Retaining Fee for

Cure: She has often thank'd my Cousin for hitting on a Receipt so agreeable to her Palate; and by her good Will, would never have a Fig out of her Mouth.

There is a steady Matron, not a Stranger to Poplin's Practice, who frequently visits Fontanelle, and whenever any ill Symptoms appear, she instantly says the Blame on the Figs. You will never be ill, Madam, says she, unless you fall afresh to the Bitters. Cousin Poplin, with great Difficulty, fears exposing her Quackery; but knowing there is a pretty good Intelligence between them, she only teases her by calling for Sweetmeats, and after she is gone out of the Room, falls into a downright Laughter: Telling Fontanelle, There is a Secret in that wise Matron's Commending the Bitters, for she is a Fellow-Feeling with the Druggist's that sell them.

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## The High-German Doctor.

*From Friday, May 14. to Tuesday, May 18.*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

I Had no sooner publish'd the Names of my  
tors, and order'd them to their respectiv-  
ges, but an Obscure *Animal*, who, (as I am i-  
form'd) is a *Stage-Sweeper* at the *Bridge-F-*  
*an Occasional Zany* to one Dr. *Bungey*, who  
*Stage* within the Precincts of *Holbourn*, c  
my House the other Day, disguis'd in a *B.*  
*Prunello* Vest, in Order, I presume, to g  
greater Confidence and Respect; and told m  
a very pert Air, ' That from the first Momen  
upon the Stage, my Practice had been very  
rious; that I had aim'd at a Monopoly of  
finesse; that I had courted every little Pret-  
the Faculty, who could cry up the Goodnes  
Packets with strong Lungs; and Dignit  
most Vulgar Medicines I purchas'd at the H  
profligate Quacks, with the Title of *No*  
that I even play'd *Legerdemain* with the P  
my own Stage, Prescribing one Thing for a  
in the *Dispensary*, and privately Recomme  
quite different Medicine: In fine, that I k  
secret Correspondence with a *Rival-Stage*

n, whose *Zanies* and *Andrews* are incessantly  
ing me with bitter Execrations, all which, in  
, was Calling me *Trickster, Impostor, and Foul  
itioneer.*

U will readily grant the Patience of a Philo-  
scarse sufficient to these Reproaches, but I  
, by severe Discipline, reduc'd my Temper to  
of *Indolence*, and form'd to my self a Dexte-  
-haviour, and Aptitude of Looks, and Eyes,  
those agreeable Gestures I learn'd from my  
, when they pronounce'd the *Testimony of a  
nscience*: ———— Thro' much Tribulation;  
tion of the *Elect*, &c. I put on a Compos'a-  
nance, a little bending to Severity, and told  
I had the Authority of many Years Practice,  
urant any Liberties I took in the *Physical Ca-*  
r; and let him know, That whatever Errors  
itten, were not Cognizable by such inconsi-  
Tools as himself and his Doctor; that Great  
's might Err sometimes, thro' an Excess of Spi-  
l Ambition for Glory; but even those Mistakes  
cauties, compar'd with the utmost Perfection of  
tatures; and that, as my Stage was at present  
stantiated, it was my undoubted Privilege to  
untalable neither to the Censors, or any single  
r of the College.

E Fellow, shock'd with the contemptuous  
, could not proceed further in his Common-  
Raillery, but threaten'd to acquaint Dr. Bun-  
h the ill-manner'd Treatment he had met at  
nds, which highly reflect'd on the Doctor, in  
son of one of his chief Operators.

THE next Day I receiv'd a Letter from abovesaid Doctor, full of bitter Invectives, and the usual Proprieties of his Style; which, for matchless Impudence, I shall communicate to Publick.

### *For Mr. Hermodactyl.*

THE Affront you put on me Yesterday, in Person of my Ambassador, Young *Ferret at Bridge-Foot*, is insupportable to one who kn what Esteem is due to the Merit of his past Labo and who, by his fervent Zeal for the Honour Dignity of the Stage, has not a little contrit to the Figure you make at present, and the Ri you to unworthily posses.

YOU may remember the Time when the Complaints ran so high against you, and me, and the Professors of the Stage, for giving strong *Allo Medicines* to our Patients, without any maine Correction, That the *Regular Physicians* combin' Censure our Practice, and make severe Example some of us.

THE Task I sustain'd at that difficult Junctui Mounting the Stage, and Appealing to the Popl for the Goodness and kind Operation of my Phy whilst they were rack'd to Death with Gri Pains, and Decrying the Practice of the *Reg Physicians*; and likewise throwing the Blame on Poisonous Drugs they had administer'd for Years, is not to be equal'd in History, if we c der the Authority of the Persons engag'd ag

nd the Assurance with which I maintain'd

I that Time you could afford me but a slender  
ance, not being throughly clear'd of some Er-  
n Practice you stood condemn'd for; and, in-  
we had such a Majority of sober and thought-  
eople against us, that it was accounted a  
diction in Terms for any one to speak in our  
f, and at the same Time own himself a Well-  
r to the Health of the Publick.

IE Confidence maintain'd, during that Cla-  
Lowny, was in some measure heighten'd by the  
isions which reign'd amongst the *Signetur* and  
*Signetur* Members of the College, and an Assu-  
, that they would rather prostitute the Honour  
*Faculty*, than condemn a Man by whose ill  
ce they hop'd to reap considerable Fees.

ound a double Advantage by my violent and  
Discourses of the Process, for whilst the Rabble-  
crowded about the Stage, applauded my ill  
age, and the opprobrious Terms I gave the  
y, for a becoming Earnestness, and Zeal in-  
ce of my Medicines, some of the *Censors* were  
sing to acquit me as a Lunatick.

I T was also said that Dr. Bucker would not

THAT I came off, beyond your, and my own Expectation, is a Truth not to be deny'd, and that you could never have pretended to mount a Stage afresh, but under my Protection, is equally manifest, tho' you run away with the Reputation of the Management, and I with the Infamy of being your Tool.

I tell you plainly, you are an *Enroaching Mon-  
ster*, a *Cormorant*, an *Hypocrite*, a *Stage-Malignant*,  
and an *Heterodox Practitioner*, and if you go on to  
Provoke me, in Assuming so much to your self, and  
Detracting from the Honour of my Stage, I will  
not only Declaim in Person against you, but let all  
my *Zinies* loose at a proper Crisis.

I know the slender Stock of Medicines you first  
set forth with, as well as your self; Natural Parts  
you have none, the Acquir'd are all borrow'd from  
your *Zinies* and *Shell-Grinders*: All your Testa-  
ceous Medicines are Course and full of Lumps, whilst  
you hire Fellows to swear, They are *Impalpable Pow-  
ders*. The *Yellow Salve* you make use of in all  
Green Wounds, was given you by a *French Surgeon*.  
The *Eye-Water* you boast of so much, was stolen  
from me. And the Secret of the *Gatbolick Pitty*,  
which you cover with Leaf-Gold, was communica-  
ted to you by a *Castilian*.

THO' you fancy your self at present so much ele-  
vated above your Brothers of the Stage, and having  
gained a considerable Fortune by Irregular Practice,  
think to commence *Regular Physician*, by procuring  
a *Diploma* from the University of Leyden, yet I can  
tell you, to your Mortification, That you will have

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you frequently. I tricks, yet, ing well in-  
tended ho : ably you have sp of *Sylvius*,  
his Great Professor, and his *Alkali's*, they will not  
dishonour the Faculty by your Admission.

WE plainly perceive every Day, how inclinable  
you are to fall into the *Radical Practice*, in oppo-  
sition to your declar'd Principles; but if you will  
take my Sentiments, all the *Regular Physicians* de-  
fise you, and you sink every Day in the Esteem of  
the *Literates* of the Stage. You may do what you  
please, I have found my Account in Staging it; and  
since I have brav'd the Censors of the College, I'll  
stick to my *Packets* and my *Andrew*, till the Stage  
comes about my Ears, and then I hope to get off by  
the favour of the Crowd.

Your Offended Friend,

*From my Dispensary.*

*Pontius, of Holbourn.*

THE Impudence of this Fellow, certainly can on-  
ly be exceeded by the Ingratitude of him: The Stage  
he now Acts upon was given him by my Interest; he  
was a common Strowler about the Country three  
or four Years ago, and had like to have suffer'd the  
Correction of the Beadle, for coming into Towns on  
Market-days, with his *Fidlers*, *Buffoons*, and *Tum-  
blers*, hiring loose People to ring the Bells backwards  
at Midnight.

HE first founded his Interest with the Rabble, by  
Dispensing musty Drugs to them, that had not seen

the Light in Twenty Years, which he had the  
Pudence to call, *The Grand Carbolicon*; and at  
height of his Reputation, you could not meet a  
Sickness Wench without the Doctor's Packet in  
Hand, which he, compassionate Man, sold for  
any. I shall not enter the List with him about  
*Duatschip*, since a purchas'd *Degree* in one Univ.  
is no ways equivalent to the many *Diploma's* [ ]  
from *Padua, Montpelier, Paris, &c.* except he  
himself for going out *ad eundem* at St. Omers.

I would not have that *Medicaffer* value him  
too much upon his acquir'd Credit, least I publ.  
the World, how he came by all his *Arcana*:  
that the Basis of all his Compositions is  
*Treacle.*

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## The High-German Doctor. N° 6.

From Tuesday, May 18. to Friday, May 21. 1714.

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

As we have Generously invited both the *Distrifed* and the *Curious* to communicate their several *Exigencies*, and promis'd a Dispatch suitable to the *Importance* of each Case, we find our selves under Necessity of Publishing two very remarkable, in their Kind, at this Juncture.

THE Preference, I own, ought to be given to the most Calamitous Cases, in right of Compassion, but cannot, with Justice, exclude the *Ludicrous* and *omical*, because every extraordinary Incident has a title to a Place in this Paper, of whatsoever Species happens to be.

A.N.D since the *Hyp*, as I observ'd some Time before, is the most Epidemical Distemper now reigning, seems to me equally useful to rectify the Imaginations of People which are apt to be disorder'd on the lightest Occasions, and correct that Ruffle upon the spirits, as relieve the *Acuteſt Pains*.

THE Patients I am concern'd with at present are *Ans Skipper*, a *Dutch-Man*, and *Lodowick Tonniere*, *Gascoone*, two such Patients no Man alive would encounter with but my self: One, by his good Will,

would take no Physick at my Hands without  
ing the Ingredients I put in each Dose: *Tl*  
*Swears he will be no longer concern'd w*  
unless he has an Hand in the Preparation  
Dose: Thus I am half Distracted between  
*lousy of Hans*, and the *Sufficiency of the Gas*

THE long Correspondence we had to  
in some Measure justifies the Liberties th  
with me; but I make a wide Distinction  
shem, for I am somewhat *Magisterial* in my  
*Hans*, when he is too busy in his Enquiries,  
*Analyzing* each Dose I give him: But *I*  
having went a private Course of *Chymistry* w  
exclusive of the *Dutch-Men*, wherein we n  
communicated the *Arcana's* of the Art to each  
his Freedoms are better warranted.

I must describe the Complections of each,  
you sensible by what Passions they are actu:  
give a better Light to the Infirmitie's they are  
so, and the different Methods of Practice I  
lig'd to take with them.

*HANS*, to give him his Due, talks ver:  
nally of his Case in the Intervals; states the  
mal of his Distemper with great Acuracy; and  
been under so many Physicians Hands of his f  
Acquaintance, who were too free in Commun  
the Secrets of our Art, is become a competent  
of what is proper for his Distemper.

HE is somewhat Corpulent, of a good H  
Body, a little over-charg'd with Phlegm, t  
Texture of his Brain is Faulty; *Roselle* the  
Surgeon, some few Years since, gave him a bitte

-Something more, which he Fancies is still Fretting in his Bowels, and flies up into his Head at uncertain Seasons. Whenever I give him any Search-Medicines, he Swears, There's the Taste of the *quintida* in them, and I am in League with the Toon to destroy him.

sooth him in my Ambiguous Way of Talking I shall never so far deprecate the Art, as to make Patient acquainted with my Compositions) and tell him they are entirely *Englisb Simples*: Blague you, (says he, in some Heat) did not I see it written in your Dispensary Yesterday? And I am well as an Hand in this Preparation. His Father tells me, has suffer'd extreamly under French Operators, as he, in his Raving Fits, call them Dexis Operators, and if I permit the Gascoon to be so in the Dispensary, he will suffer the Distemper like its Course, and trust to Providence. I take his to be owing, in a great Measure, to the strong Impressions fix'd on his Brain, from his Friends Demanding the French Method of Practice: This joynd Dose he took himself, works upon his Imagination, and makes that frequent Disorder in the mal Spirits.

I am not willing to let him go out of my Hand, where he may fall in with some Captious Physists, who, from the little Good I have done upon him, may infer, I treated him wrong; and out of the knowledge he has of his own Case, and my Medicines, think me no more than a Celebrated Quack, a Splendid Trifler. He cannot well leave me unless he has taken out his full Doses, and I shall con-

trive to repeat so many in Interim, that he may think it more expedient to remain under my Care, than call in another, and be forc'd to pay the Charge of my Bill.

When his Brain is in Disorder, he Fancies every one in my several Offices Conspiring against him: If he chances to see any *Blacks* about my House, as I keep a great many in constant Pay to do the Drudgery in the *Elaboratory*, and *Dispensary*, and carry out the Packets to the Stage, he roars out, *Thunder!* and *Lightning*; they are *Devils*; —— *Chain them down, or they will raise a Tempest in the Air.*

IF *Gambol* does but handle a Pen to take a Memorandum of his *Patients*, he Swears it's a *Recipe* against him.

IF *Smut*, in his Bills of the Week, cries up the *French Practice* as the Neatest, and the most Expeditious, he complains of that System as pernicious, and is sure he can receive no Benefit from a Method which is so much his Aversion.

I own, where there is such an *Antipathy* fix'd, no great Success can be expected from a *Physician's* Endeavours; but when I have gain'd so great a Reputation by that Method, and found my private Account in it, I am not oblig'd to humour a Fanciful Patient, or exchange it for one less Beneficial, or less Glorious to my Name.

IF I was dispos'd to humour him, and give into the weak Side of his Complaints, I should have so many Cases put to me, that I, with all my deep Study and long Experience, should not be able to answer for

He often tells me, *He knows his Constitution much better than I do my own*: So that I always take Care to finish the Discourse, telling him, abruptly, —  
*These Things must be left to the Doctor.*

IT's a Mystery to some, how I gain'd that Confidence with so Suspicious a Temper, as to let me prescribe for him; but I'll unfold the Secret, Dr. Langley and I continu'd to run down his *Physicians* in every Quarter of our Acquaintance; and when we had stripp'd them of their Popular Character, I mounted the Stage, and being the most famous *Empirick* of the Town, Necessity, in a manner, threw him upon me, I still *Preserv'd* the same Method should be continu'd, but only that my Drugs were a little Fresher than theirs; — But *Hans* came to his Taste too soon.

*Lodewick Tonere*, the *Gascoon*, is one of a very different Complexion, abounding with Choler, of eager Spirits, subject to Passion, and troubled with a Canine Appetite, which prompts him to devour every thing that comes in his Way: He had gorg'd for many Years, even to a Surfeit, and yet his Digestion prov'd as good as his Appetite. There was a very uncommon Method taken, some Time since, to Cure him by a Preparation of *Steel*, and a certain *Black Powder*, and it seems that Course succeeded to Admiration; but then his *Physician* having found out the Specifick in that Case, kept Dosing him till he had render'd him perfectly Languid: He was dismiss'd, and you may be sure, he thank'd his Stars for such a Deliverance. When I came, I propos'd a *Medium* between the Extremes of Indulging his Appetite,

to him he insisted : only upon  
ing the ingredients of each Dose, but would  
wise concern'd in the Preparation himself;  
not resist him, upon the Score of our former i-  
cy : The severe Remedies being once abandon'd  
Appetite soon increas'd to a greater Degree th<sup>t</sup>  
Vulgar must imagine : I have endeavour'd t<sup>t</sup>  
him to a certain Allowance of Food, which  
mis'd to be content with, but I find his S-  
more Ravenous every Day, and he begins  
me he will eat at Discretion.

I am afraid to let *Hans* come near him, w<sup>t</sup>  
Appetite is keen, having so often threatned to  
Piece out of the *Duchman's* Shoulders. I in-  
terpose to prevent its taking Air, but I find  
gether impracticable.

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## The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup>. 7.

From Friday, May 21. to Tuesday, May 25. 1714.

Gentlemen and Ladies,

THO' my Cousin Pop is intrusted with the Nicest and most private Cafes, which are peculiar to the Fair Sex; I have not so far laid my self under an Enemy as to resign up my Art entirely to her Direction; but claim a right of being Consulted whenever there is a Complication of Incidents, or the Question may be Sollicited without offence to the Reserves of the Sex, or my Venerable Character.

THERE is a Gentlewoman of no vast Capacity, whose Glory it has been to go under several Courses of Physick, ever since she came to Years of Maturity: She has, perhaps swallow'd more than any of her Sex, and, divided between two different Methods of Practice, has been so tortur'd, that she seldom reasp'd any Benefit from either. And so long as any Person remains in doubt, either about his Cafe, or the Ability of his Physicians, I dare affirm, in Verbo Medici, he will never receive any Benefit from the Prescription.

THIS Lady, after many Complaints to my Cousin Poplin, and not being fully satisfy'd with her Answers,

An<sup>r</sup>s, would needs be introduc'd to my Dispensary, to have the *Ultimate Resolve* of the Doctor.

In all *Fanciful Distresses* relating to the *Fair Sex*, my Cousin and I consult before hand, because the Answer I am oblig'd to give, in Right of her Credit, and the Female's Necessities, must bear an Analogy, and just Correspondence to the Leading Questions of my *Dear Cousin*, and the Weakness of the Patient.

As the Lady was usher'd into my Apartment, I observ'd such *Social Gestures* between her and my Cousin, arising from a kind Debate about the *Sal Volatile* Bottle, that I was fully perswaded there remain'd very little upon my Hand to dispatch, and they were well agreed upon the Measures of the Consultation.

However, I was oblig'd to carry it with all the Solemnity of a *Great Practitioner*, tho' I cannot help Confessing, My Cousin and I have privately sneer'd all Cases of this Nature: The Generality we have been troubled with alate, relating either to Insufficiency, Frowardness, or False Grandeur.

AFTER the necessary Pauses, and giving Time to the Lady to recollect her self, by some loose Questions I let fly, she told me, with a Pensive Air, She had, for a long Time, found something lie very much at her Heart; that the Load had been very Oppressive, and notwithstanding all her Endeavours to relieve it by Gay Company, Chearful Glasses, and all the Diverting Stories her Nurses, and other Good Officious People had put in her Head, she found it return.

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YOU understand, I make large Allowances for the W<sup>m</sup>'s of my Patients, and dispense with a great many Imp<sup>r</sup> prieties they are apt to run to, in stating their Case. This a Physician must do, in order to gain a Confidence with his Patients, and Perswasion that he is Interested in their Follies well as their Distempers.

AFTER having humour'd her Story in the most indulgent Way I could think of, the Lady melted to Tears, and told me, *She had been Deluded with the Hopes by her former Physicians, and I was the man appointed by Providence to Restore her.*

WHEN I saw those Comfortable Drops fall on her Eyes, I knew I had more than three Parts in her in my Custody, and flatter'd my self, That nothing more was wanting than good Management to perfect the Cure, or at least afford a Satisfactory relief,

IN this Critical Juncture, I frankly told her, *whatever Delusions might have pass'd upon her for the Years past, it was my Opinion, She had nothing at her Heart; but it's possible upon any violent use of the Spirits, she might find a Palpitation of the Heart, which could be easily accounted for from the outward Accidents: That most Ladies indulg'd few Complaints, on purpose to render themselves the Objects of Pity, or to be us'd more tenderly by the other Species, and her's was a Modif<sup>d</sup> Distemper.*

I added moreover, That Palpitation was a word very agreeable to the Formation of the Mouth, and when a Lady pronounc'd that, it was without any violent

violent Distortion of the Muscles, and the Lip  
with a becoming Grace.

THE Lady finding me somewhat Merry &  
Case, reply'd , in a warmth divided between  
ment of my free Usage, and a Consciousness of  
Weakness, And bave I nothing lies at my  
*The Physicians I Consulted before agreed in*  
*my Infirmity; and whenever I talk'd my C-*  
*us'd the same Term, they never faulted the l*  
*on, but rather encourag'd me in it as a Proprie*

I was instantly upon my Guard, finding it  
not to be Trifled with any longer, and soatch  
*Sal Volatile* Bottle out of my Cousin's Han  
her, That with a few Specifick Drops un  
custody, mix'd with a few of my Cousin's, I w:  
mediately set her at Ease.

SHE Drank copiously; and after it had  
place, found her self Reliev'd beyond expe  
crying out in some Rapture, Lord! Doctor,  
*the most Judicious Man of the Universe, —*  
*Drops I had from my Late Physicians never*  
*half so kindly.*

The Opinion of the Physician, you know,  
better part of the Cure, and therefore I Graft  
that Conceit. I having Succeeded according  
with, had something more in my Head, I  
make a Single Prescription, but kept Dot  
with my Cousin's *Sal Volatile* Bottle, and my  
fick Drops, till the Oppression was reliev'd.

BEING so Lucky in my advice, I fail'd  
Applaud my own Practice, and Decry her form  
sicians as Quacks, and their Ingredients wor

Physick. Madam, said I, It is their Interest to  
spur up this Load at your Heart, in order to tie you  
more to their Prescriptions for Life. —— It is with  
grouse I think of their Practice!

My Mysterious Way of Descanting upon the  
use, between Serious and Comical, gave me the  
Inference of all the Regular Physicians. The least  
Relief in Chronical Diseases, giving the height of  
Opulence to the Practitioners concern'd.

At this she opened with a Frankness peculiar to  
her Complexions in Intervals, and told me, her  
Load at her Heart had seiz'd her within these  
Years; and ventured to say, in my Presence, She  
new so much of Physick, that the Pain would have  
rag'd loose about her thro' the whole course of her  
life, but that her Physicians had, by strong Revul-  
tions, drawn the Humour from the Extream Parts,  
and fix'd it upon her Heart.

LORD! says I, Madam, with a Sympathetick  
Concern, when I consider how long those Pretenders to  
the Faculty have kept that Humour hovering about  
your Heart, —— It's God's Mercy it has not flown up  
to your Head, and affected your Brain.

I had no sooner deliver'd my self in this Com-  
miserate Manner, but I found a Pleasant Emotion in  
the Eyes of the Lady, and advancing to a stronger  
Confidence, Doctor Hermodactyl, says she, I shall, for  
a Future, resign my self up entirely to your Con-  
sults, and as I have seen several of your Receipts  
honestly, before I gave you a Fee, so I shall take  
your Prescriptions implicitly for the Future: You  
are in so conspicuous a manner discover'd the Origin  
and

*and Progress of my Distemper, and Railly'd me I  
suffered upon it, that I shall never wear it herea  
in a Modish Way : I only beg that your Cousin  
may always attend me in my Languishing Fit  
your Man Gambol be ready with his Law  
Cases of Necessity.*

**HAVING** work'd the Lady up to S  
**Affiance**, I advis'd her to affect this Palpitatio  
Publick Companies, because if she should once  
such a Fashionable Distemper, she would find her  
narrow'd, and lose the Pleasure of being Condu

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*men and Ladies,*

'd my self at first setting forth, with ha-  
brought the *Stage* under such a *Regulation*,  
ould be capable of Attending the *Momentous*  
of my Patients, without the least interrup-  
I being chief *Itinerant Professor*, I thought  
hority of my Name might have silenc'd all  
igling *Pretenders to Phyfick*, and laid a Check  
on their Tongues and Pens.

I find the nicest Precautions eluded by Spleen,  
ousy of my Practice, and having been bred a  
, they will not allow my Operations in Chy-  
o be so exact as those who have sweated in  
oratory for many Years.

ld pardon all the Degrading Whispers I hear,  
ing my *Aeibiops Mineral*, which the World  
consists but of Equal Parts of *Sulphur* and  
, tho', if I was a Man of Ostentation, I  
convince them there is a third Ingredient in  
mposition, which is a Secret to these *Preten-  
id* which, perhaps, they may find one Day to  
ost.

Is over other Attempts made to undermine me

in my Practice, and unsettle me in the best Fair I am at present concern'd; but I think my Specie Drops have obtain'd a Character even beyond Famous *Elixir Stomachicum*, and having the Secret in my own Custody, I desire any one to supplant by a Spurious Mixture.

DOCTOR Bungey, who, by an Unprecedent Arrogance, Stiles himself Pontaeus of Holbourn, I amongst the Number of those who Emulate my successful Progress in the World, and because I will let him into the Secret of my Preparations, will render them as vile as his own Practice, which endeavours to propagate among the Vulgar, by assistance of one Wittal, a Quack in the Hundred White-Chappel.

THIS Wittal, it seems, at first held the Land at the Foot of the Stage when Bungey mounted, since has been permitted to set up a Confederate Stage which goes under his Name, with a Proviso shall vend no Drugs but of Bungey's Examination. To hear that Fellow harangue the Marrow & Order after a plentiful Draught of Sack, and a Yolk of an Egg, and rail by the Hour at all Practitioners who can either write or read, is the best Comedy in the World, and yet, to the everlasting Reproach of the Faculty, this Fellow is call'd Doctor as well as my self, and sells his Trump every Stage-Day, which he buys from the Rail's Moor-Fields, made up in Penny Packets to his Hat which he calls *Orvietans*, to expell Poyson, which has mix'd with the Blood for Ten Years, and resist Encroaching Consumptions.

THE poor innocent Rabble hearing the Terrible names of Consumption, and a Ferment in the Bowels, swallow his Packets, without considering he is Diluting Poison at the same Time, but then the Subtle Slave makes them some Allowance for Taking them off by Wholesale, and stays from Quarter to Quarter for the Payment.

THESE indirect Practices I just hint at, because my tender concern for the Publick, will not suffer me to be an idle Spectator of the Miseries People bring themselves under, by their fond Credulity, and no Man think I am Skreening my self, whilst I am Condemning my Brethren of the Stage, for I will own ingenuously, I think one Quack is sufficient to this City, and whatever Foundation I began upon, my Medicines having been so often applauded as salutary, I look upon my self confirm'd Regular by prescription.

ONE Thing, I confess, makes me very merry when I think on it: To see these Young Novices fall into the same Oeconomy with my self, because I keep Fellow or two to Publish my *Weekly Bills*, or any maskable Cafe Foreign or Domestick, they must likewise be Fashionable: This, I must own, is Paying a great deference to my Stage, and makes all their little *Inve&gives* of no Weight with Mankind, because they are oblig'd to form themselves upon my model.

BUT the Instruments they employ are very different; *Saint* is a Fellow of the vaatest Capacity in nature: This joyn'd to his long Experience, and close

close Familiarity with all the Stage many Years, renders him capable of W. Off-Hand which never was in Being, as solemnly to it, with the help of som moves Pity and Sympathy in People who of the Patient. Nay, *Smut* is arriv'd terity and Presence of Mind, as to tell a good firm Air, *He is desperately ill*, and believe it, tho he Eats, Drinks, and Sleeperforms all the Functions of Life Regul the Patient stales, and his Muscels begin into a broad Laugh, *Smut* chops him shon him, *There is a Fault in the fix Non-Na* can't stand One who is conversant with Physick, and knows his Constitution; bring so many govern'd entirely by hard with a very little Skill, and much So brought most Things to bear which I ha him with. When there is a very puz they desire to be explain'd, and *Smut* is a tells them, it is a *Chinese Original*, and to me the Doctor.

THE pleasantest Jest in the whole col Dispensations, is, That the more unim writes, the better he is esteem'd : Some him for a *Seventh Son*; some say, *He is* and others, *That he deals with the Devil* to my self, knowing where he has his but the Knave having been a little Pro into the popular Notion.

BUT this Creature, whom *Bungey*, a federate *Quacks*, have lately set up in o

able Practice, is not to be plac'd on the same  
b my Friend Smut: There is as much dif-  
tween them, as a *Terra Filius* and a *Merry*  
*Bungey* on purpose to thwart my Practice,  
let him pass under the obvious Term of a  
of the *Weekly Bills* of the Stage, but Digni-  
m with a damn'd Magisterial Title, viz.  
nitor of the Week, cleanly writ, and  
subsist by it's peculiar Rhetorick. I'll  
very thing he says, upon condition he keeps  
alent, and engage he shall be as Harmless as  
y. To give the Fellow his due, he sets out  
good fluent Impudence, and Copy's well. I  
when he was in the vein of Good Lan-  
ue did not spin the Thread of his Compli-  
newhat longer, and call me *French Mounte-*  
But even these Fools understand the Grand  
Self Preservation; and, as Stupid as he is  
thing else, spar'd me to conceal himself.

.NSMIGRATION of Hard Names,  
e Doctor to his Pupil, is so well adjusted,  
begin to be in pain for *Bungey*, and think-  
nott upon the point of Departure, having  
I all his Graceful *Proprieties* over to this  
parent of his, but still, I hope, with a power  
cation.

I this Fellow not much conversant with the  
because he does not conform himself to the  
f Language now in use: *Rogue*, *Rascal*, and  
were somewhat fashionable a few Years since,  
ne Regular Physicians were to be Blinded, and  
ge supported; I remember *Bungey*, in that

Specimen which he gave us of his *Grand Cat* crowded it with so many hard Terms, that could not well discern the Prescriptions if Scurrility, but I think now they are perfectly] and no Man, at present understands any other ing by them, but an *Holbourn* or *High-German* titioner.

I cannot, without Indignation, think of i Sheltring this *Obscure Fellow* under my Wi who<sup>r</sup> I affirm, they are in a Separate Inter my Stage, yet all claim a Dependance u *Hermodætyl*.

I have seen so much Folly in Retaining Too shall be very jealous, for the Future, of thol into my Service; a *Tool*, when he has Work, and is paid, should not be Imp *Gambol*, and others, are useful to me at pri make up my Complement, and keep up the great Practitioner, but I shall thin my I find Occasion.

I own I employ'd some of these loose formerly to Cry up my Practice, and drop' Guinea or two to some promising Look<sup>s</sup>; ving sounded the Tone of their Voice, pi Strength of their *Lungs*, and a Large Che would eat up all the Profits of the Stage to them any longer in my Service.

I was vex'd at my Soul to think this fil Sweeper set forth with no better Instruction charitably place most of this Error to his I of the *Materia Medica*: This Fellow mi afflant a *Nostrum*, and venture to swear,

~~Electuary of French Lillies~~ was preferable to our  
~~true English Walden Saffron~~, against the receiv'd Opin-  
ion of most Popular Practitioners.

THIS bold Declaration may affect my Stage,  
as well as those of the most Abandon'd Empiricks,  
and therefore it's Time to draw off my Countenance  
from them, in Order to secure my self: For the  
Devil is in it, when People once take that pernicious  
Notion in their Heads, if some Regular Physicians  
don't step in, and tell them, the *Lilly* is the most  
Baneful of all *Bulbous Roots* in Chronical Cases, and  
make them sensible that true *English Saffron* revives  
the Heart, and throws off any Plague or Malignity  
from the Vitals.

WHATEVER Deference I pay to that Opin-  
ion in private, it can never be consistent with my  
Interest, to countenance such a strange Medicine,  
especially since I have so many *Arcana's* will answer  
the purpose. I should not have wonder'd if Roselle  
had propos'd it, but for an Insolent Fellow to prefer  
a Foreign Drug to one Nobler of his own Growth,  
does not a litt'e Perplex me: I do assure this Tribe  
of Empiricks for the Future, that if they make use  
of my Authority to Countenance this Practice, I'll  
remove my Stage, or Hire some of my Zanies to pull  
down theirs, and if I but loosen a Pin, all their  
Tackle and Packets will come about their Ears.

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## The High-German Doctor.

*From Friday, May 28. to Tuesday, June 1*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

**T**HO' it does not reflect much Honor  
Physician to be making frequent Comp.  
his own Indisposition, yet being satisfy'd h  
sing the Curious are to know how a Great i  
ner Governs himself under any Disorder, I  
Scruple Communicating my Case to the Pub  
likewise the Method I take with my self.

**B**ECAUSE I look so well in the F  
wear no visible Symptoms of Decay about  
Patients conclude all well at Heart; a  
Judgment seldom reaching beyond the Surfa  
no hard Matter, with forc'd Airs, and Aft  
Briskness of Behaviour, to pass with them fo  
of the Soundest Constitution.

**B**UT I have labour'd under an *Intermitt*  
*ever* for some Time, with a very irregular Pi  
frequent Return of the Fits, and find my se  
inwardly, as the Vulgar term it, tho' it ha  
Secret to all the Persons concern'd with me.

**Y**O U will easily believe I have run t  
whole Body of Physick, tortur'd the Race o  
tables with Fire, and let nothing in all the

Kingdom escape my Hands, in order to a Cure; and after all the pompous Train of Prescriptions, I am allen, at last, upon a very Common Medicine.

I drink a large Glass of *Brunswick Mum* every morning Fasting, obliging my self to take nothing for Two Hours after it: I have often thought of drinking it with a Toast, but being very lately brought to palate the Liquor, I content myself, at present, with the Simple Draught.

I shall scarce find Credit with my Patients, when tell them I am in such a Course, because wheny of them put the Question to me about Drinking *Mum*, as an indifferent Thing, I have always express'd a particular Dislike to it.

MY Aversion to all Liquors of that kind, joyn'd to the Nauseousness of the Draught, had laid me under almost incurable Prejudices; and the first three mornings I took it, I held my Breath, that I might not perceive the Taste of it, and wash'd it off with something else. I that had always been us'd to the best of *French Wines*, could not very kindly digest Liquor so opposite at first; the One giving me a vivacity beyond expression, and urging me to say a tolerable good Thing now and then; the other Joggling my Stomach, and Oppressing my Brain to the last Degree of Dullness.

THE first Morning I enter'd upon the *Mum* course, *Gambol* came into my Room, and seeing a large Flint Glass standing full upon the Table, took upon him to be very merry at such an unexpected scene, What Doctor, says he, fallen off from glorious French Wines to Nauseous Syrups? This, I presume,

*is design'd only to regale Waiffs and Flies; W  
Sick of Claret? I'll warrant something lies bi  
upon your Stomach, and so you are taking a li  
Solutive Syrup of Roses to carry it off.*

I knew the Young Rogue's Aversion to the Liquor and had a great Mind to put his Mouth out of Repair for some Time: *I am in mighty want of a Tay* says I, *Prithee palate it for me, dear Harry.* Quickness of his Scent fail'd him, and he too Mouthful of it.

HE little Dreaming to see any Mum in my House could not Credit his Taste; *It's a damn'd Maw Liquor*, says he, *and glues up my Mouth: What Devil can it be?* Mum, as I live! Well, Doctor perceive you have taken Leave of all your Friends and are hastening to end your Days by a Potion thought Dr. Hermodactyl knew a gentler Way dispatching himself, than by Taking a Dose of Mum. How long has this Fit been upon you?

BUT pray, Doctor, be serious with me! Do you really drink it? No, no; I am sure you can never be reconcil'd to it, and it stands here only for Show or to amuse some of your Patients. I have heard you Railly that Liquor for a whole Night, now and then say a smart Thing, after Four Bottles French, about the pernicious Consequences of Drinking that foggy Juice: If you drink it, I know you will throw it up again: I have taken a Mouthful of it but I would not have let it gone down into the Stomach for the whole Profits of the Stage: Ex-Mum, with a Kick. What, an Old Claret-Drinker and have such an un-fashionable Liquor in his House!

I would not have some of your Old Bottle Friends know you drank a Glass of Mum, for I am confident if they did, they would renounce your Society.

THERE are a Thousand good Effects from French Wine, it raises the Spirits, fills the Imagination with Sprightly Idæa's, dilates the Heart, and what is a main Avicile, it comes pretty cheap to you Doctor; I never see you Extravagantly Merry, but over a Bottle of French Wine. But Mum has all the ill Qualities imaginable; it clogs the Stomach, clouds the Brain, disposes to Melancholly, and causes Palpitations of the Heart. I had a Glass once forc'd down my Throat, by a Company I was Cautious of Disobliging, but my Antipathy was so strong against it, that I fancy it is always Fermenting within me.

HARRY would have went on Declaiming a full Hour, against the pernicious Effects of Mum, if I had not interrupted him in his Course: Well, Gambol, says I, without half these Invectives, I could have believ'd you: We know you are a Youth of a Bella Air; You are a great admirer of French Wine, and French Practice, and so am I, and you may be sure I never drink Mum but Physically, the French Wine takes me too much, and tho' I look with a good Insolent Countenance, yet I find an Inward Decay; I have conceal'd it for some time, but I am come to an absolute Necessity of going thro' this heavy Course every Morning, tho' I shall never be brought to abandon my Claret at Night, with a Select Company. I must own, that I have found my self Easier since I went this small Course, and that's what I chiefly aim at. The Oily Parts of the Mum sheath the Pungent

Particles of the French Tartar, and as long as they suit so well with the Constitution, I shall pursue the Method I am in.

I order'd one of my Men to write for some of the Choicest *Mum* that could be procur'd; it having been coming so long that I almost dispair of seeing it: I fancy, by this delay, I am impos'd on, & he thought that I order'd him only in Jest, and so never writ about it, knowing me to be so great a Lover of *French Wine*: If the small quantity I have by me will serve my turn, I shall not be in much pain about the arrival of the other.

THO' I make use of this Medicine my self, never was so hardy as to Prescribe it to any of my Patients; and I reckon my old Friends of the Bott Raily me heartily, for going through so Nauseous Course. If you, honest *Hal*, would take a little with me, by way of Countenance, it would go down the better; and it may be as Necessary for your Constitution to take a Glas now and then, to qualify the Eagerness of the *French Wine*, as for my own.

YOU are apt to be transported into Passions of all kinds, which proceed from the Keeness of your Spirits, urg'd on and stimulated by the sharpness of the Wine; and if you would try a Glass of the Balsamick sometimes, it might temper your Blood and make you tolerably Sober.

I might have as well influenc'd Marble, as mad any Impression upon *Harry*; he plainly saw I had mind to decoy him into the Course purely for Company sake, and not from any Opinion I had of the Liquor my self.

Want of you Darts, dear Doctor, (says me,) you,  
be chief Proprietor of your own Carcasses, may  
what you please with it, and try as many Com-  
ions as you think fit ; but I shall never stuff up  
Chinks with your damn'd nauseous *Brunswick*  
*sicle* : I can't tell what Necessity may compel  
to, but in the present Frame of Spirit, I fancy  
ould sooner be reconcil'd to a Rope : I have  
n so long accustom'd to *French Wine*, that one  
s of *Mum* would swell me up to a Tun, and  
e such a Confusion in my Bowels, that all your  
minatives could not expel. All the Eloquence  
r Profundity can display on the Virtues of it,  
I never make it a Sociable Liquor : I will drink  
*nob in puris Naturalibus* ; you *French Wine*  
Treacle. Take care to settle your Stomach  
fectly well, for if the two Liquors should jarr,  
present themselves to View, you would, with  
mission to your Honour and Dignity, pass either  
a bungling Practitioner, or a confounded Hy-  
rite, after you have cry'd up *French Wine* to  
Skies, to see *Mum* and *Claret* discharg'd in a  
Jug together .

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## The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup> 1C

From Tuesday, June 1. to Friday, June 4. 1714.

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Gentlemen and Ladies,

RUNNING over my Correspondence of the ~~last~~ Week, I met with a very remarkable Case in the Foreign Packet, which after I had examin'd with due Attention, seem'd to me, for its great Variety, capable of Furnishing out more Speculation to the Curious in the Faculty, than any which has fallen under my View for some Time.

MY singular Humanity to Foreigners, in Treatin' them up to their Character, has been acknowledg'd on so many Occasions, that I would not forfeit it by any Mistake: This makes me keep up a nice Punctuality in my Answers, and give so immediate a Dispatch to the Case before me.

THIS Letter comes from a French Gentleman in Behalf of a Person he has under his Tuition, who is afflicted with an uncommon Case: He seems to be passionately Interested in his Welfare, that he ventures to tell me, *He would stake half his Fortune for his Recovery*, and begs immediate Relief at my Hands: The Medicines he has taken hitherto do nothing to his Distemper; and therefore conjures me to

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of a proper Course: Take the Particulars of  
Life in his own Dialect.

*Au Monsieur le Dr. Hermodactyl.*

IEUR,  
THE Greatness of your Capacity, and peculiar  
Way of Treating Distempers, encourage me to  
deal from all the Practitioners of Europe to your  
dgment, as the last Resort: Your Travelling so  
uch at Home, gives you larger Opportunities of In-  
sining your self of the several Constitutions of In-  
sople, and seeing more variety of Cases than those  
who are ty'd down to a particular Spot.

I have a Youth under my Direction, Once of vast  
Hopes, of a Promising Aspect, and a pretty enterpri-  
zing Genius, who, in his general Deportment, be-  
aves himself with great Exactness; but at the Full  
of the Moon, his Opticks glare, his Eye-Balls rowl  
round in his Head, he stalks cross the Room with a  
Majestick Gate, and affects Privacy at that Season.

AT such Times I keep a double Guard upon him,  
being warn'd of the approaching Fits by these Indi-  
cations, but order them to pay all possible Respect to  
him, and humour his Romantick Vein of Talking.

HE is no sooner got into a gentle Slumber, but  
he wakes in all the Confusion imaginable, and Start-  
ing from the Bed, cries out, — Who waits  
there? — Guards, Seize the Rebels. —  
Born of Royal Race. — Chain the Slaves.  
— Then Stretching himself upon the Floo-

*the high e*

murmurs to himself, *Lie thare, thou Shadow of an Emperour.*

DURING the Fit, he will receive nothing from his Attendants but upon the Bended Knee: They, according to Direction, keep up the Pageantry; and after his Spirits are throughly fatigu'd, he grows as Passive as a Lamb.

I have consulted the Colleges of *Montpelier, Padua, &c.* They all agree, it's a *Nervous Case*; but then perplex me so with their Philosophical Cant, of *Images convey'd to the Brain*, and fixing Impressions suitable to their several Textures, with a Train of *Globuli* at the End of them, that I take my self to be in a Conjuror's Cell.

THIS, however has furnished me with an Hint which may be improv'd to my Pupil's Advantage in such distinguishing Hands as yours. I well remember whilst he was a Boy, he had a very *Theatrica Brain*; and whenever there were any Plays acted a School, he would contend for the Sublime Part in the Tragedy, still Affecting to act the *King*, the *Hero*, or an *Usurper*.

I have often heard him damn *Tamerlane* for a Oppressor; cry up *Bajazet's* Lenity, and swear his Cage was too narrow a Territory for so Great Prince. The Greatest of *Alexander's* Acts was his Dispatching the Faithful *Clitus* in a Debauch. *Julius* was too tame in his Prerogative. *Nero* he has commended for his Favourite Hero amongst the Antients; *Cesar Borgia* amongst the Moderns.

THESE I took for Juvenile Sallies, and the Effects of a warm Imagination, fir'd with the *Grandeur*

of the seve  
swaded he

the Fits are upon him.

I am at a loss to  
Thoughts any other w  
have insinuated a Notion  
came under my Care. I am sure he could never  
form this Conceit from his Martial Exploits, for he  
has made but *Half a Campaign* in his whole Life,  
Time, and that not much to his Honour.

THIS, Sir, you'll  
stance to one of so lit  
an Expensive Humou  
swell to an immense  
self much further, unl  
floring him.

I have sent him for  
to try what Change o  
from all Hands, the Frenzy encreases, and he Domi  
neers over my Friend's Family where I have plac'd  
him, when the Fit is upon him.

SOME tell me the Air of Italy is proper for him,  
there being several Infirmaryes in those Parts, which,  
with a *Spare Diet*, and Restraining him from the  
Pompous Show of the World, might be of great Ser  
vice to him under this Misfortune.

IF you give me any Encouragement to hope for a  
Cure, I would very willingly be at the Expence of  
his Voyage, and Lodge him in your House. *Roselle*,  
the Surgeon, is my particular Friend, and will an  
swer for any Charge and Trouble you are at.

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a Prince in Earne~~s~~, whilst

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idle Nurses

his Head before he  
form this Conceit from his Martial Exploits, for he  
has made but *Half a Campaign* in his whole Life,  
Time, and that not much to his Honour.

is an unhappy Circum  
stance to one of so lit  
is ob i to me for his Ne  
I have paid for already,  
n, and I cannot strain my  
s you give me Hopes of Re  
floring him.

Leagues from my own Seat,  
it might do; but I hear  
from all Hands, the Frenzy encreases, and he Domi  
neers over my Friend's Family where I have plac'd  
him, when the Fit is upon him.

SOME tell me the Air of Italy is proper for him,  
there being several Infirmaryes in those Parts, which,  
with a *Spare Diet*, and Restraining him from the  
Pompous Show of the World, might be of great Ser  
vice to him under this Misfortune.

IF you give me any Encouragement to hope for a  
Cure, I would very willingly be at the Expence of  
his Voyage, and Lodge him in your House. *Roselle*,  
the Surgeon, is my particular Friend, and will an  
swer for any Charge and Trouble you are at.

I am strongly posseſſ'd it is in your Power to ſet him; the ſucceſſful Boldneſs of your Practice reach'd theſe Parts; and, I affure you, your Name mention'd with a particular Regard: I queſt whether you have more Reputation in your Country: Every one allows your Skill to be general, but more particularly happy in the Cur Conſumptions; and, to be ingenuous with you the Complaint I ever heard made uſe of againſt you is, *That you are a little Exorbitant in your Fees.*

I beg this Freedom may not be interpreted as had any Intention of Lessening your Demands, I ſhould think the Half of my Fortune well laid out in his Recovery.

Yours,

*Le Grand Pe*

I own this to be a very intricate Case, and has rarely fallen within my Practice: I have two or four Cases in my *Ephemeris of Diseases*, which bear a very near Reſemblance to it, and I propofe to govern my ſelf by the Methods prescrib'd there, *satis Mutandis*. This Frenzy I am perſwaded is violent to laſt long, and it's much easier to Cure a poor Diftemper'd Creature that imagines himſelf a Prince, than one who fancies himſelf a Wit, or Handsome Fellow. I have ask'd all the Operators in my Service round, *Whether any ſuch Case has fallen their Way?*

says, He would by no means have me take  
me, for he judges it *Chronical*, and not to be  
ed; and advises me to sit down easy with  
dit I have gain'd by my Practice, without  
g my self under farther Blernishes from the  
s Stages about Town.

*ICIL* is of Opinion, That a gentle *Purge*,  
ick, just for Show, may be given, but is posi-  
against Bleeding him in the Jugular Vein; for  
Launcet advanc'd so near his Neck, he may  
ne is coming to cut his Throat, if he should  
to be in one of his Princely Airs.

*RY*, who turns every Distemper of this  
to Ridicule, and has been a *Prince* and a  
*Sal-Man* by Changes, in Masquerade, bids  
ilge the Frenzy, and if the Young Fellow has  
to be a *Prince*, let him take his Humour, for  
re nothing in my Dispensary can Cure him;  
o the *Bleeding Part*, which is his Province,  
not be concern'd in it.

I am under some Apprehensions, if I should  
r this *Mad Patient* over, *Harry* and he will  
rollicking together, and play the Counterpart  
ing of *Bantam*, Demolishing Young Wench-  
Breaking Conick Lamps.

must know, I ask the Opinion of my several  
rs merely out of Formality, and after I had  
'd them, I sat down and writ this short An-

## *Au Monsieur Le Grand Peti*

**T**HE Concern you express for the Fancifal Gentleman, affects me in the most sensib. You state his Case with great Accuracy, and as rightly as if I saw him : I will send ove. vice and Medicines by the Packet from Time but cannot think it proper for him to make a Change of Air ; he may depend upon it, w. in a little cooler Temper, my Apartment shall Service; for if he should assume his Princely Air. that do not know his Distemper might kn down. A Man of some Fashion that wants my Courses in the Elaboratory, has given Eas an Apartment, but I don't care to be over However, Sir, I bear so much of your Generosi if he is in my House, I shall privately make a your Ruptl.

*Yours,*

**Hermodad**

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## e High-German Doctor. № 11.

Friday, June 4. to Tuesday, June 8. 1714.

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*emen and Ladies,*

thought of making my Credit *Immortal*, by  
'rain of Success which constantly attended  
tice, but since my *Pacifick Eleuary*, which  
niversally obtain'd, and strengthen'd its Cha-  
most Parts of *Europe*, has fallen under such  
*s Reflections* at Home, I find there is no  
; to a Current of Reputation, and that the  
Practitioner, after he has arriv'd to a cer-  
lis, must decline in Glory.

d not imagine so noble a *Specifick*, prepar'd  
e utmost Skill, and design'd more for the  
the *Publick* than private *Advantage*, could  
e lain open to so many Jealous and Perplex-  
ties: That the Goodness of the *Ingredients*  
ve been censur'd by the Judicious in the Fa-  
or, in fine, that a Preparation of such Effic-  
secret of which pass'd so few Hands, could  
ed with so many Popular Reproaches.

some Alleviation that I am not the first  
enius attack'd in such a Defamatory Man-  
that it generally fares thus with Men of

Select

Select Capacities, who step out of the beaten Road of Life to render themselves Beneficent to Mankind

ALL this I could easily place to the common Vein of Detraction which wanders so Arbitrarily thro' the World, if I did not perceive my self wounded in so Tender a Part as my Sufficiency, and by Oblique Strokes, charg'd with an *Incapacity* of Forming so Rich a Composition out of my own Brain.

THOSE who question'd my Knowledge in the Theory of Diseases, would never, I thought, have been so petulant as to arraign my Preparations of all kind, having been so famous, ever since my first Entrance upon the Stage, for Mixtures, or, as my Rival term it, *Confounding of all Ingredients*.

IT's hard to account for the *Inconsistencies* of some People, who give out boldly, That I was not capable of Preparing such a Medicine, and yet at the same Time villify the Composition; but this, in my Apprehension, carries a double Design with it, not only to damn the Effects of it upon Peoples Constitutions, but to expose my ignorance.

TO this End I find it insinuated, That *Lovisius a Parisian Chymist*, gave me the Secret, and that when I propos'd to add some Simples of our own Growth to make it more agreeable to the Complexions of this Climate, he should tell me in a SNEER, Dear, Trusty, and Well-beloved Hermodactyl, I know the Size of thy Talents perfectly well: As you forth a bold Empirick at first, keep to that Character and don't pretend to commence Doctor by Inspiration. You have always been happy in the Choice of Operators, and gain'd a tolerable Reputation by their

Skills

; but, alack, how should you, that never understand the Occult Qualities of Minerals, or Plants, but Analogy they bear to the Diseases of Humans. I remember the Time when the People Climate confin'd themselves to a plain, simple and generally knew what they Eat; but now Peoples are Vitiated with so many Foreign Ogle's, such Ragousis, and unnatural Mixtures, that 'e nothing of your own Growth strong or searcb-ugh to work upon Radicated Distempers. With ey tell you, I acquiesc'd, and took the Componon his Single Credit.

CE the Enemies of my Stage have fram'd so e a Story from the Intimacy between me and ~~me~~ Chymist, I shall set this Popular Rumour ie Light.

I have a stock of Reputation that can be exhausted, so I scorn to detract from the Operator about me: There is one Mat., an Obscure Fellow, belongs to my Elabo- who tends the Fires, some call him Lungs, the Stoker, with whom I conferr'd first about Preparation. Says I to him one Day, in a jocu- ner, Honest Mat. thou hast ever had a lucky Mixing, others say Dashing, it's hard, if large a Field of Ingredients, You and I can- a Composition which shall turn to more Ad- than all the Profits of the Stage Itinerant. be free with you, Doctor? says Mat. I grant- men Mat. laying aside all Restraints, I'Gad, I have been upon a Project of this Nature ready, before I enter'd my self into your Service;

vice ; but the Electuary I prepar'd at that happen'd to be so over-charg'd with S that it was continually Fermenting, and keep Good above Three Years. Now, Doctor he, to be frank with you, I am afraid you are going about much such a foolish Preparation I have a French Chymist of my Acquaintance, low Circumstances at present, whom I am c you may Chain to your Interest, by the least nance you give him. He has almost Ruin'd by aiming at the Philosophers Stone, but upon the Point of gaining the Secret, w. Doctor John came into the Elaboratory an his Glasses and Crucibles. If you give me a couragement, I'll talk to him about it, and the Credit shall be yours.

THE Chymist joyfully embrac'd the F and fell to work ; but the Ingredients, which Seven in Number, were so Ill-mix'd so Nause Unpalatable, that I could not prevail upon my old Patients to take off a single Gally-P

I was almost angry with Mat for resignin so entirely to his Judgment, and had like lost my Credit, even with some who wish'd my Stage. In the Second Preparation I c the Acids of it in some Measure ; put in so Gold to make it more Specious, and Com and then came forth this Famous Specifick.

I must do Mat the Justice to say, he had of mixing the Ingredients, and if the Powd happen'd not to be well Grinded, let him an that Neglect.

my thing or it. Some have objected, that  
there are many Contrarieties in it as *Venice Treacle*,  
not Inform any one what the *Basis* of the  
tion is, but I will venture to say, it has this  
mon with *Venice Treacle*, That no Man yet  
ok the Quantity of a Nutmeg of it, but it  
im Sweat Profusely.

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## The High-German Doctor. N

From Tuesday, June 8. to Friday, June 11. 1

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

I Should never have enter'd the Lists with Notorious Impostor, Pontius of Holbourn, had not been assur'd from Authentick Hands, That taking Advantage of a little Mistake in the Preparation of my *Pacifick Ele&uary*, committed to the Inconsiderateness of Mat. Rummer, chime'd with the Enemies of our Stage, to caluminate Practice; and after his heavy Way of Banter'd made himself very Merry with my Character.

*HERMODACTYL*, says he, the other Day, one of my Retinue, makes up his Packets of Jalap & Gambouge neat enough, and tops them upon Populace with a tolerable good Grace; but for Specifick, —— commend me to an experien Farrier, or Corn-Cutter. — All the Regular Physicians of the Town have laugh'd at this Electua as if they had been bitten by a Tarantula. He one of the worst Brewers of Physick that I know. His Medicines never settle, but are always fretti upon the Stomach.

AT the same time he is Lessening my Competions in the Esteem of the World, he takes Care

*Surfi*

, Films, or Dimness: Nay, whose Quality is  
scbing, and Penetrates with such Subtilty, that  
wes off Scales from the Eyes, as big as a Bar-  
in a Minute. All this I promise, if you have  
enough in Verbo Bungey.

[I S he delivers with an affected Gravity, and  
ing Zeal for the Relief of Distressed People,  
e has gain'd some Patients of good Rank to a  
lence in the Preparation: Others he has kept  
nd for some Years, and tho' they are as Blind  
the Minute he took them under his Care, yet  
will not be prevail'd upon to change this pro-  
: Quack.

DU will readily believe, when Bungey first set  
with this wonderful Preparation, and pre-  
id it openly upon the Stage, all the Judicious

to raise a great Dust, Do you see? says  
The Rabble not being apprehensive of  
confess'd their Eyes were very mu  
Order:

A Man of less Penetration than Bu  
not but see it a proper Opportunity to l  
their Passions, and improve their Credt  
Advantage: And having gain'd their  
told them, *That the InfirmitieS of the Ey*  
*many labour'd under, had put him upon*  
*periments, in Order to restore them, a*  
*Providence had thrown this in his Way,* th  
he had try'd this very Eye-Water upon se  
in other Parts of the Kingdom, as at De  
&c. where it did not answer his Expect  
whether the Season was not so favoural  
Bodies had not been rightly prepar'd, I c

ter Bottle, and if he neglected them, they  
y aloud, and spare not.

*R*E are, says he, many False Brothers of the  
ho, with their Collyrium's, Powder of Tutty,  
e frequently daub'd your Eyes, Fouling the  
lin Humour, and Damping the Sight; nay,  
~~bedly~~ have they impos'd upon that noble Sense,  
swade you your Eyes were broad open, whilst  
Groping your Way in the Dark. — Here,  
be this, cries the Doctor, and sprinkles them  
with his Ophthalmick.

: Rabble, strongly posses'd, fancy'd they  
les drop'd from their Eyes, and beg'd some  
the Eye-Water to confirm their Sight.

*S*Fellow was so much elated with Work-  
in the Imagination of the Vulgar, that it had  
difficult matter to have perswaded him, That  
well skill'd in Opticks; nay, his Brother, Sir  
of Durbam-Yard, and the Famous *Grant*,  
re'd to have their Patients come very private-  
at Juncture, for fear of Offending this Great

*ME* Things were very pleasant in his Di-  
, that during the whole Course, they should  
ny strong Light; keep their Eyes fix'd upon  
and that no Pretender to Opticks should, un-  
our of Restoring them, tamper with their  
or they suffer any Operation to be made, but  
Doctor's Presence.

*ME* ot these Patients strictly follow'd his  
. expecting every Day to be Second-Sighted  
; and *Bungey* feather'd their Eyes once a

Week himself. If they could but see the I  
was a sufficient Proof that their Eyes were A

B U T that this insolent Quack may be :  
with the rest of his Brothers of the Stage, I  
ligr'd to let him know, I have met with 1  
late with thick Films on their Eyes, a  
with Scalding Dcfluxions, all Owing to  
brated Eye-Water, and sage Directions.

B U T since he has poison'd and corrupt  
any Eyes with his Water, I would advise his  
own sake, to keep them continually Blind, I  
they should gain the least Beam of Light, I  
Worshipful Doctor will be seen to a gre  
vantage.

I T was certainly one of the most impud  
ever given to a Composition, working jus  
trary of what is promis'd ; and the Poison  
needs be of the rankest sort, to work suc  
Effects upon some of the strongest Optic  
Kingdom.

I may venture to say, from Credible  
that no Antidote, ever since the Age of H  
has been Sold for half the Profits this Pois  
Water has brought into Bunney's Coffers ;  
nies don't stretch in their Account, we :

Wound by the first Intention, tho' I am inform'd he has but little of that left, the Demands for being so frequent, and he look'd upon Prodigal enough in Dispensing it.

I can give a near Guess at the Composition, which is more than he can say of my *Pacifick Electuary*, I could almost swear the chief Ingredient in it is the Juice of *Monks-Hood*, the most Baneful of Vegetables, and pernicious to the Constitutions of our Climate.

IF I know any Thing of the Nature of it, the Corrosive Parts will very hardly be cleans'd out of the Eyes, tho' I am told, that some *Regular Physicians* about Town have restor'd several of his Patients to their former Sight, and are pretty Confident of Recovering the rest, unless the Poisonous Qualities have insinuated themselves into the Brain.

HE has one particular Honour reserv'd to himself, that no Man ever yet question'd his being the Contriver of it, and only upon the account of its not having one good Quality to recommend it.

HE charg'd me with having made use of his Secret, and Building my *Pacifick Electuary* upon the Basis of his *Eye-Water*: I will frankly own, that whilst he was intent upon Blinding the People, I had Leisure to make some useful Experiments for the Aggrandizing of my own Stage: And I hope that will not stain my Character, if I took the Advantage of his ill Practice to make my own appear the better.

I cannot deny, but that his confident Way of Supporting a Preparation so much decry'd by the College, gave the whole Fraternity of Empiricks an Opportunity

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portunity of enlarging their Credit, and put us, in  
manner, upon the Level with the *Regular Physicians*.  
When I found the *Eye-Water* had pass'd with  
slight a Censure, and *Bungey* went on applying it  
boldly as ever, I began to think that one might safe  
prescribe *Arsenick* to those Constitutions whose Eye  
could bear his Water.

T H E Temperaments of People are different, in  
Opinion, from what they were formerly: The least ja-  
sing quality in a Prescription would offend the Stomach  
heretofore; now they are able to swallow Poisic  
with a very little Correction. I find no manner  
Distinction in my Practice between Crude and Pi-  
par'd Physick; and it's scarce to be Credited, w<sup>t</sup>  
Quantities of *Bungey's Eye-Water* are bought  
Daily both for Land and Sea.

T H E kind Digestion of every Thing that is given  
to our Patients promiscuously in the whole Body  
Physick, makes our Practice partake less of Solli-  
tude. A *Squeamish Stomach* and a *Vapoury Brain*:  
my Abhorrence: They are so Jealous of what they  
take, so Impertinent in their Queries, and, who  
mortally hate in nice Cases, so pressing for a Consi-  
where a Man must account for every bold Step  
his Practice, that I am resolv'd hereafter to stand  
upon my own Bottom, and by that means evade  
Enquiries.

## The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup>. 13.

From Friday, June 11. to Tuesday, June 15. 1714.

*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

I Am fully convinc'd how Circumspect a Great Practitioner ought to be in Delivering his Sentiments upon any Physical Point, or giving into a particular Method of Practice: Every Word which falls from a Publick Man being stamp'd on the Minds of the Audience, and standing upon Record, to be enviously appeal'd to, upon the least Variation from the Rule he has either prescrib'd, or applauded.

I know'tis a receiv'd Tradition, That I was bred a Rigid Galenist, and posses'd with such an *Hereditary Aversion to Paracelsus's Method*, that I made a Scruple, for some Time, of even setting my Foot within the Door of an *Elaboratory*: Nay, that within these few Years I could not be prevail'd upon to enter, before my Stoker assur'd me, That the offensive Steam was gone off in the first Digestion, and that I came in when half the Operation was over.

AS it is not in my Power to stem the Torrent of Reports, and, perhaps, might gain but little Credit if I should attempt to purge my self, I shall leave the matter undecided: But one Thing I will grant; be-

cause it has been charged upon me, with Deviation from Truth, that I should, in myrienc'd Days, pronounce, with a Degree of That *I would inviolably maintain the Galenitice.*

THIS, I confess, lies somewhat heavy Reputation, tho' I cannot say it burthen's science, for at that Time I spoke in not having duly weigh'd of what Contin Credit of the Galenists might be, or the Accruing from the different Methods of which is of the greatest Importance to us *narians* in the Art, and byasses our fuses.

HOWEVER, from this unguarded of mine, I find the Rivals of my Stage take opportunity of Examining my Preparations w<sup>t</sup> Curiosity, and whenever I give a Search mical Medicine, which puts all the Human Body afloat, a Galenist instantly cries out *on this Hermodactyl's Dodging Practice: Bona Fide Galenical Preparation?*

IT raises a Smile in me frequently, to see weak People may be prejudic'd by well Rumours: Whilst I had the Character c. n. i. a. Galenist every one at my Patients

SE nice Anomadversers upon my Method,  
consider the Exigencies a Great Practitioner is  
to in his Commerce with the Distemper'd.  
re so Fanciful, that, within my Knowledge,  
re varied in their Opinion of Medicines Six  
Times. I have known a Galenist laid under  
pacity from the College, and the Paracelsians  
in every Quarter of the Town, giving out,  
*they were the Elder Brothers of the Stage.* The  
s, in their turn, have carry'd all the Practice  
hem, and cry'd down the Paracelsians, as a  
governable Race of Poysen-Mixers, and ob-  
mongst the Judicious for some Years.

was not altogether for the Gain I propos'd to  
that I fell off from my Galenical Practice,  
ing the Paracelsians a Claimorous Body, and  
ng the other Method, even to a Degree of  
, after I had once declar'd my self in thei  
, I could not take up my former Practice with

n the Galenical Medicines the most Natural,  
adapted to the Constitutions of our Climate,  
ing all the Balsamick Parts, and Essential  
f the Vegetable entire; Working with more  
ity, both upon the Fluids and Solids of the Bo-

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the Head. The Professors that Way, I am boast much of their Sublimations, and raise Preparations to a great Height, and Separate pure from the drossy and feculent Parts; but must be consider'd, they torture every Thing falls under their Hands with Fire, to such a l that all the Medicinal Part is destroy'd by the.

*BUNGEY's Operations* in this kind are to grant to be conceal'd, and his Experiments so many Constitutions, as not to admit of the Justification: To these we may add those of Bull-Neck, the Irish Quack, Wittall, the Corn-C of White-Chapel, and those of the famous Cartstick, an Hedge-Operator in Hoxton, with rest of the Furnace-Breed.

IT was once my Intention to keep up a Medic between the Galenical and Chymical Practice, but i Galenists having observ'd so many of those Fire-M about my Elaboratory, will not be induc'd to think can disperse any plain and simple Physick, and an gone into an Opinion, That I have abandon'd my first Principles, and am taking the shortest Way with the Galenists.

HAD they approv'd of my Pacifick Electuary, I do not know what Terms of Physical Communion I might have admitted them to, but now the Breach is so widen'd by their Jealousy of my Practice, that I cannot, with any Honour, fall back into my old Method: Nay, if I should but mention so much as an Healing grump, a Vulnerary Decoction, or Fomentation of mollient Herbs, I might be in danger of loosing the eminence of the Stage. I must not conceal one Diversting

resting Instance of my Management, with respect  
the Galenists: Finding my self upon the point of  
sing their good Opinion, and resolving to gratify  
Passion, I contriv'd, by the help of some Paracels,  
with whom I had contracted an Intimacy, to  
en the Pins of two or three of their Stages in  
Night, and gave Harry his Kue to expose them  
his Circumforaneous Oration, as Separatifs from  
Primitive Practice of the Stage. Harry Signa-  
l himself upon this Occasion, and having art-  
y mix'd some of the Furnace-Breed with the  
ble, fir'd them to such a Degree, that they  
aded in great Numbers about the Galenical Stage,  
in their violent Motions overset it.

'HEIR Rage being pacify'd with a few Bone-  
and hard Names, all things return'd to their  
er Course. It was a difficult Task, I assure you,  
me to put on a suitable Disguise in that Con-  
ture: I had been noted, for some time, as a  
otter from the Galenical Practice. My Privity to  
Outrage was acknowledg'd on all Hands, if not  
ouragement; and how to Ingratiate my self with  
Galenical Doctors, was the Point. Well —  
ending upon Study'd Looks and a Riggling Be-  
iour, I begg'd them to give me a Meeting. I  
sted them with all the Social Airs, and Terms  
Endearment; and having, in a true Galenical

*in that way ; and offer'd to make them ample I  
ration for the Damages sustain'd, out of a Colli  
I propos'd to raise.*

THE Chief of these *Galenists* was a Man c  
ntration, and looking stedfastly on me, told  
*Those wry Faces and moist Eyes might once  
pass'd for Symptoms of Remorse and Compassion ;  
that I had gain'd such an Habit of Whining  
that I could out-do any Knavery in a Three-Cor  
Cap.* And so quitted me abruptly.

THIS, you must imagine, has sownred me  
great Measure, and made me give way to  
severe Invectives against the *Galenists*, but I  
yet could be prevail'd on to publish a Bill in F  
of the *Paracelsians*, tho' I keep generally to  
Formula's and Prescriptions.

HARRY knowing of what Authority so C  
Practitioner's Judgment as mine would be :  
Debate, upon these different Methods of Pr  
makes my Cousin Poplin sollicit me incessant  
an open Protest against the *Galenical* Method,  
keep my self upon the Reserve, and attend he  
Majority are inclin'd ; for Numbers shall a  
weigh with me against my Reason.

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## The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup>. 14.

Tuesday, June 15. to Friday, June 18. 1714.

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gentlemen and Ladies,

TO my Physical Talents are chiefly exercis'd on the Constitutions of People, and finding proper Specificks for every Symptom which arises a *Microcosm*; yet I find my self and Operators d with fresh Calumnies, and the *Regular Phys*, whom I, in the Name and Behalf of all the tricks of the Stage, declare a very Dissatisfy'd , are constantly Propagating a Belief amongst unsettled Patients, how improbable it is, that who never pass'd a Course of *Anatomy*, could capable of accounting for the Operation of his ick upon such and such determinate Parts of the , and wonder at my Assurance in Prescribing out Control.

REQUENT Dissections of Human Bodies, say , contribute largely to our Knowledge of each its Part of the Structure, and directs us to make r Applications. The Vitals may be attack'd in ent Shapes and Disguises, and unless a Practiti knows the Seat and Nature of the Offense, er, and traces it thro' all it: Recovery and Hind-

*ings, be must commit many, Fatal Err  
Dispensations.*

*HARRY*, who mixes sometimes with the malignant Tribe, hearing the Credit of the Country affected by these Insinuations, came to me the Day, flush'd with Complaints, telling me that Popular Rumour might have some unkind Consequences, and beg'd me, for our Honour sake, to erect an Anatomical Theatre, and go to give Public Courses, merely for Show and Pageant; tho' they brought no Profit to the Stage, which might serve as a Counter-Project to those themselves so much upon their Penet Knowledge of the distemper'd Parts.

SUCH a Proposal from *Gambol* must have Imagiinations with the same merry Sentiment as I was certain'd: I who had been well acquainted with the Capacity of the Man from his first Entrail Service, that knew his several Gradation from the Agility of a Tumbler to that of an extraordinary, could not imagine the Thing he meant by this Motion, but having recollect'd how he had paid for many of his Natural Dissections, I did not then think he was Proposing to bring a Set of Natur'd Creatures into my Family, and that

hunders, and leuen the respective Prunts of it, by  
large Salary to the *Anatomical Operators*.

was satisfy'd I had pinn'd him fast down on the  
re of his own Insufficiency, and thought the Pro-  
would have ended in Ridicule, as he generally  
ies off the most serious Things with a Wanton

U T the *Young Varlet*, with a true *Stage-Impu-*  
*e*, turu'd short upon me, telling me, ' He thought  
mself equal to the Work that he had often been  
*bus & in Cure*, and tho' most of the Bodies which  
d fallen under his Dissection hitherto had been  
spar'd to his Hand, yet he did not question his  
n Ability of going thro' the whole Course, from  
*Scarf-Skin* to the most remote *Viscera*, without  
ection.

*E L L*, Harry, says I, upon the Confidence you  
poffess'd with, suppose I ſhould permit you to  
le the Dead as well as the Living, the Course  
be carry'd on very privately ; you are ſenſible  
most of the Galenists are Men of Great Sagacity,  
Operators ; know every Minute Gland in the  
Body : Let us presume you ſhould call an  
Parts are ſound, when they are under the moſt  
ſome Contraſion have you Dexterity enough to

*surance: That he built his Confidence chiefly upon the Run of my Success: That People had been alwa  
Laugh'd out of the Proper Names and Significans of Things: That a Man might be cry'd down as Quack, or a Stage Impostor, by some jealous People; but for all that, he could Observe, a PRETENDER was no Invidious Name, and he had found so many inclinable to be Impos'd on, with their full Sentiments about them, that he shoud not despair. Let me suppose, in my turn, says he, That I give any Part an improper Term, I can Swear the envious Galenists have so alter'd the Propriety of Anatomical Terms within these Few Years, that they are the very Reverse of what is meant; and if I shoud be charg'd with pronouncing a Liver Sound, that is full of Stains and Specks, I can aver, it's only Lysus Naturæ, and that I take delights in such Frolicksome Impressions. — This, you know, will be kindly receiv'd from a Mouth, because every one is prepar'd to hear an Anti-Thing from me upon the Profoundest Debates.*

BUT there is one thing yet remains, my Friend Harry, I reply'd, which I fear will be an Unmasterable Difficulty, and that is Reading a Lecture upon the Uses and Aptitudes of each Part. The Oeconomy of the Body, I presume, you design to Explain by the Regimen of your own; but that I fear will give little satisfaction to most Constitutions.

HARRY, impatient of hearing so many Difficulties started, conjur'd me to be silent, and acquiesc'd in his Management, That he would undertake, with the Assistance of Smuts, to go thro' the Course with Reputation

tion to himself, and Rescue my Stage from  
and of Insufficiency.

You will believe, without Constraint, the Folks  
of the Town, to hear Gamble explain those  
of the Body he was never acquainted with.  
I no sooner taken his *Lifegiving-Knife* in his  
but, after his Irregular Way, cuts out a great  
of Flesh, and holds it up to the Spectators.  
is in sufficient pain for my Stage, when I found  
t out in such a Sunglow Method, and mangy  
body. But Harry no ways Dilpirited at the  
Laugh of the Crowd, began thus,

HIS, Most Learned Auditor, is a Major.  
— Here he paus'd a while. — This Major  
one of the pleasantest Soc...F... — 't Least  
Torments, /says I, reading to him. You being an  
doing? You are explaining the Faculty of Human  
y, and whilst you talk of F... you are at the  
Breach Commending Soc...F...  
such an Outlet! 'Gad' M...  
you to the Next of the Day.

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and that of the *Shell-Fish*, so call'd  
wondred how so strong a Laugh cou  
upon so Phyfical a Discovery. That it  
a little Mysterious to some People, but  
questionable Authority from Doctor A.  
*Figurative way of Talking.*

CONFOUNDED at the *fresh* I  
my new Operator, and Transferring I  
upon me, I was upon the Point of strik  
of the List of my Attendants, when Smut  
Front, pull'd me by the Sleeve, and told  
*was no manner of Exception to what Gan*  
*it had been taken even in a Literal Sense*  
*often told the People, in his Weekly-Bills*  
*was Fish;* and hop'd, in time, he should  
Graft as Absurd a Principle upon the  
subftantiation.

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## High-German Doctor. N° 15.

iday, June 18. to Tuesday, June 22. 1714.

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*Men and Ladies,*

I mis'd my self so much Diversion at spare  
is from Harry's Anatomical Courses, that I  
ly sorry the Thread of them should be bro-  
an Incident, which has administered sufficient  
he Regular Physicians, and remotely affects  
it and Dignity of my Stage.

of Publick Characters ought to be very  
ct in their Choice of Dependants, have  
long Intercourse with their Manners or  
Hostage for their Parts and Integrity, before  
ice to a full Confidence with them, much  
minent Practitioner, who is so conversant  
delicate an Affair as *Health*, least he Deri-  
isa upon himself from the Mistake of his

Neglect of these Precautions has brought  
iculties upon my self, thro' the whole  
my Practice; But one more particularly  
confiding too much in the Honesty of *Aity*  
om whom indeed I never propos'd much  
sequences, the best Lineaments of his Face  
ks of Confirm'd Impudence, the rest of his  
Features

Features work'd up with the strongest Colc  
a Jayl Completion:

I that always indulg'd his Habits of Trick  
allow'd him to prevaricate with all Mankind  
self, never imagin'd he would have turn'd  
Weapons against me, especially considering  
some Gainful Perquisites I conniv'd at, havi  
giv'd to something of a Clumsy Figure, an  
Menial Servant of mine, is become a Compl  
Gentlemen.

Y O U must understand, that a Set of :  
and Fair Practitioners as my self, some time  
erected a Dispensary for the *West-Indies*, in  
of that founded by the *College*, proposing  
Considerable Interest of the Physick we se  
always reserving a Fund at Home to buy in

T H I S I am sensible has been ever deem'd  
*ginary Project* by the *Regular Physicians*, a  
upon as a downright Bite, there being no place  
as they say, for the Vending them, and that  
no ways dispos'd to take any Medicines  
Hands; and whenever any New Hypothesis  
euss'd amongst them, and found to have but  
Reasons to support it, they Cry out, in a *Sic*  
*Notion is prettily dress'd up, and may an*  
*as well as Hermodactyl's West-India Dispe*

N O N E of these dry Insinuations go to  
being satisfy'd they Result from Envy and  
that my Reputation in Physick enlarges it  
and spreads even to the *Indies*, where the  
can never expect to find an honourable Mer

B U T setting aside these Invidious Ren

ful a Project : *Atty Brogue*, who has the Super-tendency of all the Medicinal Chests and Drugs which are sent thither, had form'd a most wicked and fish Design, to fill most of the Chests with distinct ckets of his own ; and accordingly tamper'd with : Supra-Cargo to go Joint Sharers in the Profit and : Roguery.

THE Man having a blunt Honesty in him, natu-  
to Salt-Water Complexions, reason'd with *Atty* on the Odiousness of the Crime, and what an inde-  
ile Stain so great a Violation of Trust would leave  
on his Character.

*ATTY* seemingly surpriz'd at the Tar's unfashion-  
le Squeemishness, told him, *That his Reluctance*  
*would be no more than a Feint.* — *I would not give*  
*Doit*, says he, *for a Fellow that has not a true*  
*old Buccaneer's Conscience.* *I am my self a Land-*  
*irate, and so we are all, to a Man, in this Dispens-*  
*ry Project :* *And depend upon it, a Draught of Au-*  
*m Potabile will Clear thy Heart, and Correc<sup>t</sup> all*  
*the Qualms that arise from a Puny Breach of*  
*trust.*

THE Tar no ways mov'd by *Atty*'s sordid Per-  
vasions, rejected the Offer. *Atty* stifling his Re-  
ntent at that Instant, took his Opportunity to re-  
present this honest Fellow to the Projectors, as not  
qualify'd for the Trust ; gets him turn'd out, and  
ands over for a Trusty *Fingallian* to substitute in  
is Place.

IN the mean Time, *Atty* suspecting the Conse-  
quences of such a bold Step, contrives to withdraw  
is Packets out of the Chests ; and to skreen himself  
from

from further Enquiries, parts with his Share in Dispensary.

THE Relation he bears to me, gives me a Sensibility of the Fact beyond Expression. How natural is it, upon this Occasion, for the *Regular Physitians* to double their Clamours against my Stage, at break Jests with all their Patients who are concerned in the Project? *What less could be expected*, says the other Day, from such a Projecting Quack, as Tumbler, such Fidlers, Buffoons, and Andrews, first to pick the Pockets of all their Spectators, then pick one another's?

THIS Project was a Creature so entirely my own; I first giving Life to it, Nourishing and Rearing it up to this Perfection, thro' all the Obstacles we have been thrown in its Way; and bearing through the manifest Contradictions the Success of it lay pos'd to, that if it should miscarry at last, I am sure my Stage will soon tumble after it.

I am very much at a loss how to act upon this occasion: If I countenance him after this Breach, Enemies will think I am in the Secret: If I abandone him, he must starve: But he has so much unprovoked Knavery, that I cannot, without some nameless Inconveniences, throw him up.

Reolv'd, notwithstanding this, and many Scars in his Credit, to retain him in my Service to buy in Foreign Drugs; but I have had thoughts of shortening his Places and Perquisite give the World a Colour of my Resentment, and leave him a Subsistence.

HE bears so many Characters under me, t'

easily recollect them; let me see, he is, in  
t Place, *Intendant* of my *West-India Dis-*  
*'', Broker for Foreign Drugs, Accomptant Ge-*  
*of my Stage; and after he has done the*  
*try of the Day, in these several Capacities,*  
*ries my Cloak.*

I've, in Consideration of his other important  
es, dispense'd with his Wearing a Shoulder-  
and other Badges of Servitude, for which he  
ikful; but whenever he is malapert, I snub  
with — *Sirrah, to Cloak.*

E S E Rebukes, you must think, were a lit-  
inful to him at first, but being always re-  
in the Character of a *Setting-Dog* to the  
he has serv'd in, this Usage is familiariz'd  
Constitution.

m under no Apprehension of his quitting my  
e, and going over to any Rival Stages of  
own, he being so noted a *Renegade*, that no  
of Contrition for his frequent Revolts will  
a suitable Attonement.

ould be glad to hear the wicked Dog's Apo-  
for this last Fraudulent Action, pleasing my  
ith the Glorious Effrontery he will exert  
that Occasion.

atter my self, I am pretty secure from being  
ht in as an Accessary to the Guilt, having  
d up all my Followers to a certain *Continence*  
*ngue*, that I could almost perswade my self  
would run the very Length of *Tyburn*, rather  
betray so Generous a Master.

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## The High-German Doctor. N°

*From Tuesday, June 22. to Friday, June 25. 17*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

*A*TTY Brogue being fallen from his Static Intendant of the *West-India Dispensary*, under no small Perplexities, how to supply the or fill it with equal Advantage to the Charact bore under his happy Administration.

I have Crowds of Candidates Daily Solliciti the Vacancy, who boast of being well vers'd in metick and Book-Keeping, and pretend they are fy'd (a few Errors excepted) to bring up an Ac and make it answer to the Satisfaction of all P concern'd in the most extensive Project.

I pity the shallow Reach of such People, wh making vast Interest to prove themselves Fox Significant, and expose their small Stock of Knowledge to Contempt.

I F Accounts were the chief Things to be consider'd or was it a bare Concern of Profit and Loss, I be supply'd at my own Door, several of my *Zani Tumblers* being sufficiently qualify'd for Figures of them for *Noughts*.

B U T as this is of a very different Natur

Projects, so it requires a Person of very Talents to manage up to the Height of our In the Vulgar Commerce of Life every thing der proper Calculations, and may be adjusted, Demonstration, by an indifferent Hand. But, in the physical Traffick of ours, there are some things Clerical, and out of the Common Way of that the most Mechanical Head, with all it's Certainties, would be wretchedly confounded. Unless Volubility of Tongue, and artful Eva- Account, is of more use to our Dispensary han a Numerical Table. We subsisting chief Paradoxes, are compell'd to employ People to make Contradictions pass for self-evident

Having founded our Dispensary for Two and promis'd an Interest upon the Prime Cost Medicines, Atty's Province was to perswade ple concern'd, That the unemploy'd Stock of brought in more Profit to the Stage Corpora- in if they had been dispens'd : When we had ut a Report, That several Ware-Hou'les have ken up Abroad to secure our Chests of Medi- rom the Inclemency of the Weather; and the Physicians have cry'd out in Nubibus, Atty n over Forty Places, which he has coint'd out of rn Imagination; and swore he had given ?.

ERE are so many Qualifications requisite to Station, that the Man who possesses all of them be the Boast of an whole Century : He must be Servile Cringe of a Foot-Man : The Base- of a Fellow meanly Educated, who does not apprehend

apprehend when he is handsomely sneer'd, answer all Objections without Premeditat grant or deny at Random; he must be often Stand, without the Grace of Blushing: plunge boldly thro' all Difficulties, take all ster's Blunders upon himself, and, in fine, ha' close Pores of a Bailiff's Conscience.

I never propos'd much Advantage to my this Proj<sup>c</sup>t, only, as I imagin'd, it might something of an *Eclat* amongst the *Illites* gratify'd my Vanity in Drawing in so many who had been concern'd with the *Regular F* which was no small Triumph to me, after I reputed a *Quack* and a *Bankrupt*.

SOMETIMES to try the Pulse of the ence, I have occasionally order'd Smut or All them, *This*. West-Indja Dispensary had clear'd it self, but likewise all the Incidenta. of the Stage, before a single Chest of Medi been Ship'd off. I own I have been in Sc about the Event of such bold Declarations, ing People's Digestion good, I have left m to their discretion.

One Article which keeps this Popular Countenance, is, That some *Practitioners*, w concern'd in the Stage before I hir'd it, h'ad several Drugs upon Credit, and I finding it Opportunity of Ingratiating my self, unde of Paying the Persons who had supply'd et propos'd to er<sup>c</sup>t this *Dispensary*: After broach'd this most equitable and surprizing E. some grew clamorous, and contended that

nes, furnish'd to the Use of the Stage, might  
I at one Payment, but I having the Purse,  
those Demands, being resolv'd to set the  
it after my own Way, to which they were  
to submit.

E, I hear, are constantly terrifying the  
in this Project with Jealousies, That the  
d Physical Packets are no ways proportion'd  
limate, or Constitutions of the Persons we  
m to, they making use of what they call  
*black Pill*, upon the least Disorder, and lay-  
ress upon it, even to a Degree of Superflui-  
For my own part, if I must be plain,  
for some Time, had so slender an Opin-  
our Project, that I contrive to throw in  
usible Obstructions in the Way, being af-  
ve that the Medicinal Chests may be look'd  
Prohibited Goods, and the Cargo Confiscated,  
I shall answer with a very ill Grace to my

R E are a Set of People who give into Sur-  
and are always wona'ing how I maintain this  
*my Project*, how I pay off the *Druggifts*  
for what they bring in, and the Arrears of  
due from the *Old Stage*. That should be a  
ov right, if I was under any Suspicion, that

ing every Packet & deliver out so much extra  
There are some inquisitive Knaves so curi  
Examine each Single Packet, and concluding  
Smell, and Taste, and Effects, that the same  
rical Ingredients are in these as the Farmer,  
at paying a double Rate, and Charge me  
Exaction.

WHEN I find the Bite a little too  
Lump my Packets, mixing those for *Gripe*  
*sumpcions*, *Heticks*, and *Radicated Distemp*  
together, and putting different Estimates upon  
they pass Glibly with the Crowd: The A  
tion of these Profits rests in me, and wha  
thowing in a Packet extraordinary someti  
returning part of the Money to some of th  
inquisitive of the Censors, who gave it  
sit pretty easy under the Clamours of th  
gusted.

SOME are so envious as to insinuate, That  
People lay under *Chronical Distempers*, and  
oblig'd to go thro' severe and *Regular Cou*  
*Physick*, they paid no Dearer for the Me  
than they have since their Constitutions, as th  
told, are in a manner restor'd.

BUT how easy is it to satisfy these Com  
and divert their Thoughts with Stories of *Ra*  
*Distempers*, and the Effects of Former  
which is not thoroughly Purg'd off, and  
an *Antidote* is always more Costly than the  
*ious Drug*.

THUS are we forc'd to play off the *Imper*.

*buffy Patients*, and, by Conjuring up New  
m, perswade them they are never well;  
when Fanciful People grow weary of  
l *Physicians* and apply to a new one, that  
n<sup>r</sup> knows little of *Physick-Craft*, who does  
e a *Property* both of the Body and Purse of  
ients.

to return to my *Foreign Dispensary*: I  
long time in Dilpute with my self what  
give it: I once thought it should go  
he Name of the *Japan Dispensary*, but  
consider'd some Testy People might think  
yage so tedious and remote as never to  
eir Account in the Returns, tho' upon  
Thoughts, it would have answer'd my  
more effectually, by keeping the Sharers in  
Suspence, till I had serv'd my self of the

most People's Imaginations being warm'd  
he Hopes of Possessing what is nearest  
each, I narrow'd the Distance by some  
, and consented to give in the Name of  
t *India Dispensary*. Some *Wags*, I am  
call it, in Ridicule, the *Mine Adven-*  
*id*, to be sincere, I was once a thinking  
it that Name, as promising vast Re-  
om so big a Sound, joyn'd to the Sci-  
of the Places where we send our Me-  
· But I Congratulate my self upon my  
, that I did not throw so Obviouſ a  
in the Regulars Way, that Project ha-

wing been so distinguish'd in the weasy  
I'Gad, 'tis Ten to One but some of my Le  
Friends, might have taken this of the Dispens  
be much of the same Stamp.

IT is the Fate of most Projectors to  
carry in the first Enterprize, and their  
cessors to reap the Advantage they have  
diously labour'd after, but I may value  
self so far, that if this Project fails in  
Hands, no Man will have Courage to  
it up after me, or build his Fortune upon  
Ruins.

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## The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup> 17.

*From Friday, June 25. to Tuesday, June 29. 1714.*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

I Have suffer'd so much in my Reputation alate, by permitting some Mercenary Fellows to cry up my Practice beyond a Possibility of being Credited, that I am resolv'd to contract my self for the future into a narrower Space, and publish in my own Name, and for my private Use. All those stretch'd Characters, of my Worth serving only to render me splendidly Ridiculous, and Reflecting no small Dishonour upon me by their Grounding all they say or write upon the Authority of my Stage.

I had so full a Confidence in my Operators, and thought we had been so well agreed in our Methods of Practice, that my Dispensations in Physick, and their Operations in Chymistry and Surgery, might have been carry'd on to answer the Fancies of our Patients, and secure at least a plausible Character to our Performances.

BUT Harry affecting a Supremacy in the Stage, and squaring all his Projects by a strong Current of Fancy, has, it seems, for some Time past, hir'd a Couple of Mercenary deep-mouth'd Hounds, with

Black Sashes, to run about Weekly, and cry the great Art and Mystery of Corn-Cutting : One tends he is employ'd by Dr. Hermoda<sup>byt</sup> to examine the Position of the Corn : The Other, a more and unintelligible Hireling, admonishes them to apply to any *Regular Practitioner*, but to treat our *Incisions* and *Plaster*.

SUCH bold Declarations as these, issued out much Reason to support them, and coming Hands not much celebrated for *Disections*, can promise an uninterrupted Success: And, indeed Event has been answerable to such wise Utterings : For the Company of *Barber-Surgeons*, Province it is to examine all Disasters both in Hand and Feet, have enter'd their Protest against the gabonds Proceedings ; and if discover'd, it's punishment may be put to the Swedish Torture appointed for grants in Black. It will scarce be credited in Ages, what Swarms have been allur'd by strong Lungs and confident Bills, to submit to Operations ; and might have reign'd in the Opinion of Fanciful People to this Day, if they had not given them to the Quick.

THIS forward Behaviour of these Pretenders could never have been warranted, but only by a position, *That the affected Part was entirely dead and Callous* ; or, *That the Patients were so weak as not to squeak upon the most violent Operation* ; but not having entirely lost their Sensibility, they begin to be apprehensive of the Smart.

THESE unthinking Wretches, I am perswaded,

never have forfeited their precarious Credit the World so early, if they had not, upon their nts Complaint, order'd them to wear *Wooden s*, in Order to ease their Corns.

ET the cunning Varlets had even a good i- at Fetch for them, under all their Agonies; and dly told them, *That English Leather might draw the Humour*; and so order'd them to clap on a age of Wood to keep the Excrescencies from ging.

HESE Directions, I am satisfy'd, were never id from an *English Surgery*; but *Harry's Line- Practitioners* finding how easy some of their cb Patients are in their Feet under such Limita- s, thought fit to introduce the same *Pratica* .

HE People of our Climate, who have always ed themselves upon the Liberty of their Feet, d not, one would think, but perceive so vile a rence; but Dr. *Bungey* having blinded their s, they could not discover the Deformity of the er Parts whilst the Suffusion was upon their s.

F we may suppose a Notion of Thrift could come Competition with the Ease and Tranquillity of a son's Constitution, one should be tempted to think t the heavy Tax upon Leather might lead e People into an Opinion of the wholesome Use *Wooden Shoes*.

UT this Supposition falls to the Ground, when consider that most of these thoughtless Animals te so scar'd with the Apprehension of Wooden

*Shooes* in Eighty Eight, when no Tax was laid, and they were barely pinch'd, that they frankly offer'd up all their Wealth to the Great President *William*, to be freed from them.

FOR my own Part, I thought the *Spanis<sup>o</sup>* Leather might have been more generally receiv'd, upon the Account of its Softness and other Advantages; but my Enemies of the Stage think there is a *French* Lining under it.

THIS I recommend only to Persons in private, for it is not suppos'd that so Great a *Practitioner*, who is chiefly concern'd in the Vital Part of the Constitution, should stoop so low as to busy himself with the Extremities of the Body.

BUT as there is no Action of the Stage, how remote soever, but affects my Character, so I have been frequently giving into a Blush, to see some of my Stage Retinue flourish their Bills, and hear them Roaring out in broken *Englis<sup>b</sup>*, *Here's your new Operators, that can Cut to a Hair's Length.* — *How many have been lost by the Quacks and Pretenders of the former Age?* Then give a Caper to shew their Art and Agility, *Good People, leave your selves to our Care, and Doctor Gambol's Direction, and, depend upon it, we'll make you tread firm:*

THIS they deliver in so comical a Manner, and with such Arch Gestures, that the Audience are constrain'd to Laugh, tho' they are in Pain, and almost Crippl'd with their Operations.

I did not imagine *Buffoonery* could have been of that Service to an *Operator*, till *Harry* convinc'd me of the Necessity of it, in the Persons of his *Toads*, who

who never enter upon a great Debate without a Laugh. This, they tell you, diverts People's Senses from Dwelling upon the Pain, and makes them believe they are in less Danger, because you Jest with their Constitutions.

I was never an Enemy to Archness in my own way of Practice; but then mine is a dry Wit, illustrated with good Significant Nods and Shrugs, but not so Comprehensive as that which is attended with Motion. The Vivacity of the Operator glares in the Eyes of the Patient, and busies his Senses so much, that the Operation is perform'd before he is aware:

THESE must certainly be something in it, else how could People sit down easy under such frequent Manglings, and Drawing Plasters? I pretend to know something of the Ability of these *Corn-Cutting Slaves*, and am pretty well acquainted with all their choice Secrets in Surgery: And I aver, they do nothing but scarify the Part Affected with a French Razor: And at other times torture it with a Plaster of Burgundy-Pitch. These, you'll say, are but indifferent Regalements to one who has any Sense of Feeling left; yet by their Dexterity of Motion, and a Corinthian Order of Countenance, they have bully'd and sneer'd all the Weak People into an Opinion of their Practice, and crippled half the Nation.

NOW, for the Safety of these worthy Operators it is *Hermodactyl's* humble Opinion, That instead of Maiming a Toe, they should, by some clean Amputation, disable their Patients from Standing, for if ever they get upon their Legs, and tread firm once

more, it's very possible their ~~Jul Astrea~~  
be crippled in their turn, and put o of a Capa  
of Rising.

I hope none of these Dext'rous Gentlemen ca  
offended with me for leaving them entirely to t  
own Worth, and drawing off in Time from  
Suspicion of being concern'd in these Manual Op  
tions. I am told, by some of my Dear Friends, I  
I have enough to answer for in my *Physical Capa*  
that for two Summers running, many have dro  
thro' my Means, besides some other Dispatches  
to my Charge, which I am very tender of Recal  
lating, or Aggravating my own Mistakes, by the  
tronage of others.

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## he High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup> 18.

: Tuesday, June 29. to Friday, July 2. 1714.

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lemen and Ladies,

E frequent Clashes between Harry Gambol  
nd me, being, in the Opinion of the Generali-  
ork'd up to a compleat Breach, have, in a  
Measure, alarm'd even the Attendants of  
n Stage, who are very sollicitous to know  
e is any Truth in the Rumour, and if so, how  
nust govern themselves in this Juncture, and  
hey must trust to.

you, Doctor, say they, quit the Stage, and  
succeeds you in the principal Station, we are  
ensive of his Introducing Strange Customs  
t us, that he'll pay our Salaries worse than you  
l, perhaps, may set the Stage on Fire in one of  
' Frolics.

would not refrain Smiling to see how succe-  
se Plot work'd. which Harry and I had laid

ents, lessen'd him extreamly in the Opinion of the sober Part of Mankind. This Intimacy had like, to have involv'd me in the same Scandal, which I endeavour'd to clear my self of, by Affecting a Coolness and Distance: During this affected Separation, I complain'd to some of the chief Operators, of his insupportable Carriage, his wild Experiments, and his Ignorance of the Constitutions he took under his Care, and show'd my Publick Dislike of his *Manual Operations*; some People, it's true, wonder'd I did not turn him off, but I told them, Our Stage was so unhappily Circumstantiated, that every one had his proper Patients as well as the Doctor.

THIS Project has answer'd our Expectation beyond Measure, and enlarg'd the Credit of the Stage. Several, by this means, who were going off to the *Regular Physicians* for Advice, having stopp'd in hopes of being treated with Care and Temper under my Regulation, whilst Harry still retains all his *High Sanguine Patients* to a Man.

I please my self often with the divided Opinions of Patients, concerning our Physical Administration; to hear us two concern'd in the Secret, and agreeing in the Preparation, so differently Characteriz'd, gives one sufficient Sport. *I had still an Opinion of Hermodactyl's Physick*, says one, *it works somewhat Roughly at first, but goes off Clean, and carries off the Noxious Humours with it: But as to Gambol's Operations and Physick, they are too Violent for a Horse: Who, in his right Senses, would take a Dose from the Hands of such a Madman?*

SOME

SOME Persons of good Penetration have been so receiv'd with my solemn Decrying of Gambol's Operation and Practice, that they have alter'd their Notion of my Medicines, and could be perswaded to take Phyfick at my Hands, as soon as from any regular Physician's, and think I have abandon'd that praece Quack.

BUT there is a nearer Conjunction than the World imagines: His Interest and mine are too close link'd, to think of a Separation: All the little Disputes which arise are but so many Artful Quarels, and bearing a near Resemblance with the Sweetnings and Sourings made use of in some of the Lower Faculties of Life.

WE divide our Practice between Acids and Alkalies: Harry is a Bigot to Acids, and when he has ortur'd a Constitution with his damn'd Corrosive of Vinegar-Bottle, I am no sooner call'd in, but I take my Head, as Disallowing the former Method, and pretend to correct all the four Steams with my alkali's.

WE serve our selves more effectually by these seeming Dissensions than we could by the closest Agreement; our Enemies flattering themselves, that the Stage must fall by such Intestine Jars, are less vigorous in Forwarding our Dissolution by any violent Measures of their own.

HARRY being of an impetuous Nature, takes all the desperate Cases under his Care, and being perswaded the Stage is so well establish'd, that he shall never be question'd for his Random Practice, makes agal Experiment Daily upon his Patients.

I that have an Eye to Security, hope, by Comporting my self indifferently, and not tying my self down to any fix'd Method of Practice, as it has been my Custom alate, to retrieve my Character so far with some Patients I formerly abandon'd, as to preserve my Tenure of the Stage, even tho' the *Galenical Method* of Practice should become fashionable; but if that fails, the Method concerted between me and *Gambol* will answer my Ends as fully.

I wish I could keep *Harry* in a little better *Decorum*, as to the Talkative Part. He lies so open to every one in his Practice, and disguises it so little, that he renders his *Physick* Nauseous, and gives the Patient sick Qualms before it is administered.

THEN he is Talking of *Cauſicks*, and deep *Incisions*, which terrifie all tender Constitutions; so that our Practice will be narrow'd in that Branch,

N A Y, sometimes he is so *Arbitrary* and *Idle* in his Notions, that he contends for having but one sort of Physick dispens'd in all Cases, and to force it down a Patient's Throat, if he disrelishes it. Then closes the Practice of the Day, with a Page or two out of a large Folio of *Hereditary Right*, and after that *ad Purgandos Renes*.

I propose to wait some Time to see what good Effects this *dodging Practice* will produce to our *Stage*; if I find Operations lazy on *Harry's* Side, I'll e'en think of making Interest with the *Censors* of the *College* to be a *Licentiate*, which would be

the Matter to obtain, if they were perswaded,  
never relapse into Quackery.

If I am so well fortify'd against Harry's  
Errors in Practice, except what I was forc'd  
when I first Mounted the Stage, and I flatter  
there will be some allowances made for

Harry should be Whimsical, and fancy [I  
this time working his Violent Medicines  
Credit, by my Gentle and Moderate  
and endeavour to supplant me amongst  
gh Sanguine Complexion'd Patients, it  
long remain a Secret, and the Minute  
of it, I'll dismiss him from his Stage  
ince.

We often heard, that some Scaramouches  
rry's Acquaintance should, in a Threat-  
Manner, dare me to the Experiment, but  
let them know, that as I brought Harry  
another Stage, and entred him in mine,  
is an absolute Dependent upon me, and that  
part with him at Pleasure, whatever Imag-  
skill the Furnace Breed may think him pos-  
of, or how necessary soever they may fancy  
me.

The only Difficulty would be, how to evade  
nportunity of the Fair Sex in his behalf:  
young Dog boasts of a Stubborn Interest  
them, which can never be Rooted out; if  
ould be known I was really determin'd to  
with him, I should be told, in very free

Terms,

Terms, that he was the Standing Grace of my Stage, and must be kept.

I hear by some, that if an Attempt of that Nature should be made, my Cousin Poplin would interpose with a great Patient of mine to keep him in. I would have my Cousin pretty tender upon that Head, for fear of adding fresh Beauties to her late Honour, and lest People should be apt to think his Chine is the most Ornamental Part of his Character, and she Slighted my Physick to see an Operation of Gambol's.

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## The High-German Doctor. N° 19.

*From Friday, July 2. to Tuesday, July 6. 1714.*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

Have been so much perplex'd alate with the little Brigues of the Stage, that I could not stretch in the remote Branches of my Art; or give that Satisfaction to the Curious which the first Publication my Bills promis'd. The narrow Province of Phy-k, tho' of the greatest Importance to Constitutions, answering the respective Demands of my *Whim-al Patients*, I am oblig'd to exert my self in another Way, and convince the World of my Diffusive knowledge.

AS all *Practitioners* of the sublime and mysterious kind, have peculiar Badges, by which they distinguish themselves from the Vulgar, some by their robes, others by their Telescopes, a Third by their *cob's-Staff*, so I have founded a Reputation by my *dining-Wand*, which I always carry about me.

W H E N the common Methods of Practice fail, People are at a stand, in order to carry them beyond their Comprehension, I have constant Recourse this *Wand*; I first wave it in the Air, that surprises them, the Surprise makes a strange Concussion in

the Spirits ; and when I find the Disorder strong upon the Imagination, I charge them to beware of all Pretenders in Physick, whilst I top the Pretender on them in my own Person at pleasure.

THIS Instrument, you must understand, is of great Authority amongst People of all Ranks, they being posseſ'd that ſome extraordinary Gift or Faculty is lodg'd in the Person who bears it : Besides that, it being reported to have a Power of Discovering hidden Treasures, the Generality Idolize it as a Charm.

I need not run back into Antiquity to inform you, that *Mercury*, the greatest Thief amongst the Mock-Deities, had this *Wand* assign'd him, as one of the Signatures of his Office.

THE *Regular Practitioners*, who by the force of Reason, and entering into the Merits of each Prescription of mine, discover frequent Errors, and by reproachful Inferences would fix a Blemish upon my Practice, and leſſen the Authority of my Skill in that particular Way, find themſelves wretchedly Defeated when I bring forth my *Wand*, and flouriſh it upon the Stage.

THIS binds the most Clamorous to Reſt, tames the many Headed Monster, and opens a Paſſage to all Hearts and Affections, with the ſame Success as the *Golden Rod* of *Aeneas's Guide* did to all the obſcure Meanders below.

THE Miracles I have perform'd by this *Wand* might ſurpaſs your Belief, if the Living Witneſſes did not concur to the Truth of it, and convince the Enemies of my Stage, how much a blind Superſtitio-

to a *Caduceus*, in the Hands of an Artizl, deck'd out with the empty Title of *Most Noble Doctor*, has blenc'd all the Esteem for the Rational and Plain Prescriptions of the Faculty.

BEFORE I enter'd upon this *Stage-Practice*, I duly weigh'd with my self, how the Eyes might be blur'd to Advantage; the Ears brought to a Jingle; in fine, how all the Senses might be warm'd, and the Affections gain'd; Argument and fine Reason I knew to be a Drudgery wholly useless in this Age; so few were to be forc'd out of the Beaten Track of Life, or persuad'd to quit the lazy Mode of Thinking, that I resolv'd upon a Flourish, as the only Expedient for Establishing my Credit.

HENCE proceeded this Swarm of *Andiems*, *Tumblers*, *Stage-Sweepers*, and *Zanies*, which I have plac'd in the Front of my Stage, to stare People out of Countenance, or at least divert their Thoughts from Attending the Course of my Dispensations, whilst I have been vigilant in the Rear with my *Wand* to silence any Clamours which have been rais'd against their Practice, or Feats of Activity.

THE *Speculative Gender*, I know, acknowledge the Authority of this *Wand*, but question the Virtue of it, therefore I never expect to convert them, I address my self to the honest *Unthinking Majority*: Those who have been under the Enchantment can speak loudly in its Praise. It is to those who have a good Opinion of Charms that I apply my self at present,

present, Magical Operations never work  
sily upon any but those who have resign'd  
up implicitely to the *Operator*.

*Fear not, Mortals, none shall harm*

*With my Sacred Rod, &c.*

WHERE the Sons of Art are so mu  
Physick canton'd into various Opinions,  
well-dres'd Story is brought to the Test,  
the Virtues of my *Wand* may be disputed ;  
Score it will be expected from the Ri  
Stage, that I should give an Account how  
this *Magical Wand*, and descent on the  
it.

I should be under some Restraints in C  
ting this part of the Story to the World  
not fully convinc'd that a Secret gain'd fr  
derable Hands, seconded with a prosperous  
Place of the most artful Prescription of al  
bars about Town.

THIS *Wand* was given me by an Old  
knew little of the Virtue of it : Only re  
with this Character : That I might find r  
in it, and the Profit would depend entirel  
Dexterity in Managing the Flourish. W  
deliver'd to me, you will judge I was i  
ward in my Flourishes, and fail'd migh  
Propriety of Gesture, till at last I found

haviour we  
as allow'd  
all the Ex-

BUT not to detain you give Credit to the  
I am forc'd to bespeak  
extraordinary Occurrences as Legends by Sceptic  
covers hidden Treasure,  
Imaginations of the Powers of Conjuration  
put into my Hand, I find its Divining Power, at  
making Experiments, I have all the Enemies of man  
of its Influence, which encourag'd me to proceed fur-

AFTER that, a Body of Regular Physicians standing in my Way, and I Fearing to be interrupted by them, I lay my *WAND* over their Heads in a Menacing Air and dispers'd them on a sudden : This I really believe was more owing to their Fears at that Time, than to the Virtue of the *Wand*.

THERE was an House said to be Haunted with terrible Spirits and *Hobgoblins*, I put my self under the same Roof to try if they were of the mischievous Kind, I could not rest either by Day or Night : I at last consulted my Familiar, and stretching my *Wand* over them, dissolv'd that wicked Confederacy.

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ns of the *Wand*

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Q in pence, will  
vements of my *Wand*?

C because all ex-  
on P. i. we look'd upon  
Pew This not only dif-  
fers strongly upon the  
, a is Gifted with all  
on. The first Day it was  
ad out all my Enemies by  
being naturally fond of making  
no sooner flourish'd it, but  
Stage fled beyond the Reach  
encourag'd me to proceed fur-

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MY Deceased Brother *Winstanly*, with all Mechanical Operations, never made such Changes and Revolutions in his House at *Little* as I have in my Family, by Virtue of my *Ring Wand*.

IT would almost surpass your Belief to tell the several Transformations I have made by Virtue of it: I have turn'd Lions into Sheep, bow'd the greatest Spirits into the Nature of Asses, only by Laying my *Wand* upon them, with a proper Metal.

I mount a Dozen of Wizards at a Time upon *Wand*, and let them run a Heat in the Air transported one Dr. John many Leagues off Night's Time, by Laying this *Wand* upon him Repeating a few unintelligible Words in the Nature of a Charm. This Instrument has an Influence not only over Living but Inanimate Beings. It works powerfully in the Transmutation of Metals, and has often made Tin pass for Gold among your shallow Sighted People, to the great Sport of my Stage. By this *Wand* I have Mists before People's Eyes, that they have been able to distinguish Friend from Foe, made them quarrel in the Dark, so far as to divide their Interests.

NAY, I have enchanted my Patients to a Degree, that they have believ'd their fuller by Draining, and made them pay for same Packets Four Times over, and they discover the *Bite*.

SOME have been so weak to imagine

I was in in'd to part with so profitable an Article as this *Divining Wand*, and four or five have been said to make Overtures to me for the Purchase of it, but let that pass amongst the Vulgar Errors which have been spread to the lessening my Credit: If I had not been fully sensible of the many Advantages accruing to my *Stage* by the Possession of it, I should not have hazarded my Peace and Tranquility in the Pursuit of it: And if I am not mistaken I have Grasp'd it so firm, that my Enemies will be forc'd to tear my Flesh in the Struggle, before they wrench it out of my Hand.

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## The High-German Doctor. □

*From Tuesday, July 6. to Friday, July 9.*

*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

THE Fanciful Young Gentleman, I ment you some time since, under the Title *Grand Petit*, who is troubl'd with such a Disorder of the *Animal Spirits*, as to himself a *Prince*, an *Heroe*, and sometimes of the *Warming-Fan*, at the Change of the has, it seems, lately broke loose from his ment at the Country Seat he was Lo for recovery of his Health, and strowl the Sea-Port Towns, with a Shatter'd C Mercenary Fellows he has tempted to joyn Desperate Fortunes.

THE Fits, which before were only *Pec* and invaded him at certain Seasons, are now *Habitual*, and he takes upon himself the S Title of *Sovereignty*, with such a *Confirm'd A*, as if he was periwaded of the Truth of Perlonates.

IT has always been my Advice to L *Petit*, to abridge him of any Means of kee this *Pageantry*, and reduce him to a low l order to Correct the extravagant Fumes wh

nto his Head. This he has faithfully put in Execution; but I fear he supplies hand, with Money, and a Retinue, to *Mock-Procession*, and feed his Imagination es of Royalty he has no pretence to. I am sure lies upon him to perform, both n sake and his Pupil's at this Juncture, taken up for a Madman, and committed house of Correction, for *disturbing the* likewise for mine, least I am Censur'd Excusions of his, before I am capable of proper Remedy.

I with a *Lunatick*, and an *Opiniatre* at the , is an *Unequal Province*: I had, it's true curity of *Bona Fide*, *Le Grand Petit* has Rom'd to, that he should be entirely under and Direction, but I find, too late, that he *French Surgeon*, interferes with my and thinks it more expedient for this fellow's Case, *to run at large*, than be put *ridions for a Time*.

Case being so' Unprecedented, and I the Credit of my whole Stage for his , it must certainly fix a Scar upon my Ré- that I don't put him under a more *Regular* or whatever ill Symptoms appear about him, ring undertaken the Cure, all the Mistakes t my Door.

satisfy'd now, that all the *wholesome Pre-*, and *study'd Advice* will never work. this ut of his Brain, it must e'en be left to a

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proper Crisis, and the Subtle Air of the CI  
to make a Cure.

BUT amidst my concern for this *Dij Patient*, I cannot forbear entertaining my Leisure Hours, with the Extravagant Airs of ple in his Condition: Sure there is a Pleal Madnes, that mitigates either the Contem Irksome-Pity, that Men in their Sober express for such Unhappy Creatures.

THEIR Notions, tho' *Whimfical*, are with that Vigour and Industry, as if they were Last Importance, which must certainly be fed a Conceit, *that they are in the Rigs*. T take to be owing to strong Impulses up Brain, convey'd by the *Two Grand Impostors* of either *Priest or Nurse*:

WITHOUT this it had been impossible Young Fellow, who never had any Sulfsen upon Courtesy, to cherish those false Idea's of deur, or to work up his Imagination to a belief of his having a Right to be any thing than the bumble Son of a Tyler.

I dare not offer this to him by way of A he being under such *Incurable Prejudices* from cation, that he would think I had deviated my promises of Restoring him to Health, should suggest a Thought of this Nature am oblig'd to keep upon the Reserve, and him to Indulge the Fancy.

I never thought these *Rants* would have ex beyond a Private Chamber, or prompted I run a Muck, after the *Indian Manner*, in s

iot; but my Accounts from Foreign Parts  
ne, That he is Aiming at something by  
us, that such a suspected Practitioner as  
ight to conceal.

since he has been unseasonably merry with  
I shall, after my Laudable Mixture of  
Earnest, divert the World with his Ex-  
ties, his Mock-Grandeur, Equipage, Arms,  
& Embellishments of Royalty, which I  
l acquit me, if the *Regular Physicians*  
: it in their Head, That I have, by Rich-  
increas'd this Warmth of Fancy, instead  
g the Flame.

Young Gentleman alate, it seems, has  
the Face of a *Wandering Court*, has ap-  
Two *Dismal Fellows* in *Black*, with  
ads, and a String of Beads about their  
n the Nature of Running Footmen, to  
n Front, and Proclaim his Title, under  
e of *Prince Prettyman*, tho' his Terri-  
no larger at present than one of our  
*Brentford*.

*Regalia*, which he wears upon Solemn  
e some of the Merryest Ornaments in  
and exactly proportion'd to the Frenzy:  
n is a *Warming-Pan Bottom*, in Allu-  
*Mambrino's Helmet* in the *Knight of Le*  
or, perhaps, in Reverence to the first  
e was rock'd in: His *Scepter* is pretty  
Shape of an Old *Roman Rod*, which  
ors carry'd about to terrify the People:  
e is in Imitation of *Pandora's Box*, with

Ten Thousand more Plagues than that contain'd  
The Arms he assumes upon this *Mock-Royal*  
are *Four Quarterings*; in the first is *Phalaris' Bull*; in another, a *Wheel*, with a *Poor Martyr*  
lying upon it, and a *Priest* Increasing his Torments with *Holy Paste*: In the third, a *Beautiful Lady*, with an *Air of Freedom* in her Countenance, shackled; and her lovely Skin deform'd with the Links of the Chain: In the Fourth, *Parcel of LEWD FRIARS* parceling out *Land and Tenements*: In an *Angel* of the Coat a *Bloody Hand*, to show he is a Knight of St. *Wenifred*, or something else; and the *Crest* a *Flower-de-luce* above all.

THESE are merry Devices, you'll say; but yet the Men of Charity say, *He is not absolutely to be blam'd for his Wildness*: They all agree he was very Temperate for Nine Years, till a Fellow in Black, as mad as himself, living near St. Andrews, gave out, That he had, in a Vision, seen his full Title to these Honours he assumes, which to a poor Bigot was equal to Inspiration, and set him a *Crown-Hunting*.

BEFORE that Time, I am inform'd, the Height of his Ambition was Coming in with the Dogs at the Death of a Fox, or Running about with a *White Feather* and a *Blue Ribbon*, to give an *Air* to his *Fille-moit Complexion*, which some *Wags* thought should have been turn'd into *Leading-Strings*.

I own I wish the Young *Quixote* well, upon the Score of that Intimacy betwixt *Le Grand Poit* and *my self*, but am not capable of Affording any Relief

sent; if I should attempt to prescribe for him, College would instantly take the *Alarum*, and, ps, fall foul of my Stage for Meddling with ses of the Head, which, they say, I have unded too much already.

I can *Trim dexterously* in my Practice between iate Zeal for his Interest, and an affected id to the Constitution, I shall think I have made row Escape from Censure.

once thought I had the *Censors* pretty secure Enquiries, but I find their *Zeal Animised by a* of the Calamities the Constitutions of People ider, from some of my *Hedge Operators*, and ips, mix'd with a spice of Jealousy, That I take a *Ten Shilling Fee*, but am generally paid ench or *Spanish Pistoles*.

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## The High-German Doctor. N

*From Friday, July 9. to Tuesday, July 13. 1*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

**T**H O' Ph:ick, and *Divination by Word*,  
Two Illustrious Branches of my Art, by  
I Recommend my self to the World, an  
Ground Daily upon the *Regular Physicians*,  
cannot give up so valuable an Article of P.  
that which comes in by the Weakness and  
lity of People, who are willing to see the *Fate*  
open'd, and view the several Chances  
allotted them.

THIS being duly weigh'd, together with  
plaisance I naturally have for all Whimsical  
makes me Indulge them in their wanton En  
relating to Friends, Marriages, Dreams, Pl  
Residence, Health, Sicknes, Love, or Businel  
many more of the like Nature, which fall  
the Rules of *Astrology*.

I being so great a Proficient in *Metoposco*  
*Chiromancy*, which consists in a perfect Kno  
of the several Lines of the Face and Hand  
forming a Judgment of the Good and bad  
of Life from their Aspects ; and being I  
well acquainted with that Mysterious Doc

Notes, and their different Positions, no Signature of the Body can escape my wonderful Penetration.

This, joyn'd to a Sublime Knowledge of the Planetary World, and Influences of the Stars upon Humane Body, has made me the Compleatest Fortune-Teller of this Age, and enabl'd me to Calculate Nativities to the greatest Exactnes.

The constant Alarms given the World alate by the Young Knight of the Warming Pan, who has been so disorder'd in his Head, and so ungovernable in his Fits, that no Sober Person could be at Rest in the Neighbourhood for him, has whetted a Curiosity in me to renew my Acquaintance with an Art I had, in a manner, Abandon'd.

Some Persons, I know, will think it too great an Honour done him, to Enquire into his Birth; but the Figure he makes Abroad, and the Opinion he has led People into of his Princely Extraction, may make the Calculation an Entertainment worthy of the Curious.

And since some have given so far into the Frenzy, as to believe him Born for something extraordinary, and that those Royal Airs become him, I have been the more exact in my Observations, and pointing out his Destiny, from the Infallible Rules of Art.

In order to this I have not only consider'd the Predominant Planets of his Geniture, but have likewise carefully examin'd the several Lines of his Hand, and finding so just an Agreement between them, I can the more boldly determine upon him.

of June, Old-Style, Anno Dom. 1688; at 10 Morning, 10 Min. in a Convent of the Fiyars; the Pole elevated 51 Deg. 30 Min.

SATURN is Lord of the Horoscope, in Geniture Saturn falleth in the Seventh House of Jupiter in the Ninth in the beginning of The Sun in the Tenth in Cancer, and in Conjunction with Mercury, who is Retrograde, and in Conjunction with Saturn: Mars in Virgo possesseth the House: The Moon in Scorpio, the Second Venus being Retrograde to Leo.

AMONGST all the Planets and Signs conjoined in the Birth of a Person, I never observ'd a Benevolent, or more meanly Dignify'd; an Position is the most Dejected, so I found Lineaments of his Hand Unfortunate.

SATURN afflicting the rest of the Earth with a Malignant Aspect, and from a Violent denotes great Doubts and Fears, and Study'd movements at his Birth: That very few were to be found and those Blinded with Interest or Zeal, and lest the Illegitimacy should be Detected, who troubled Character upon the Region of Saturn undoubtedly Arouse.

*This being a Supposititious Child, and the Sure  
One of the Two Children which were pre-  
pon that Occasion.*

*E Sun in the Tenth House in Cancer, and  
ijunction with Mercury, who is Retrograde,  
square of Saturn, denotes a Cruel Heart,  
sharp Claws, very Ravenous, and of a Plunder-  
position, Averse to Humanity, and all Prin-  
ciples of Moderation; tainted likewise with such a  
of Bigotry, as to force tender Consciences  
wher he is concern'd.*

*'RS in Virgo, possessing the Twelfth House,  
terrible Aspect, Denoting Rapes, and Laying  
the Honour of spotless Virgins, and giving  
up to the Licentious Passions of a Foot-Soldier  
or a Dragoon.*

*E Moon in Scorpio, in the second House, be-  
ing Retrograde to Leo, denotes a Revengeful  
r, big with Italian Malice, and French Faith,  
ng and Tormenting all that oppose her: Pre-  
likewise, That all the Principles of Good  
s in the Young Lunatick will be swallow'd.  
Brutal Rage, in Opposition to the generous  
ge of the Hero.*

*The Planets are not very favourable to his  
ity, so I cannot, without betraying the Honour  
ignity of my Art, promise a much better Dis-  
in from the Signatures of his Hand.*

*FORE I describe them, it is necessary the  
is shoud know, That only those Lines and  
ures of the Hand are esteem'd Benevolent, in  
Tubercles, or Risings, the accustomed Lines*

Proportionable; as three or four Parallel Ladders, Little Branches, a Quadrangle, Character of Jupiter: But the Froward and unfortunate are those whose Rises are Deform'd Troubled Lines, and Uncouth Figures, as : and interrupted Semi-Circle, a Grid-Iron, c Character of Saturn: And this must be largely observ'd in Forming a Judgment from Lineaments of the Hand.

FIRST, his *Table* is very narrow, which  
ends Obscurity of Life and Fortune.

HIS *Middle Line* Cutting in two, soon continuing, and of a pale Colour, denotes an Un-End, and being Cut off in the Flower of his

A Line Surrounding the Thumb in the Joint, clearly portends by what Instrument I Die, viz., a Noose.

THE Vital Line being broken toward  
End thereof, by a double Incisure, is very  
noyous, and forebodes a violent Death in the  
Year of his Age.

THE Line passing by the *Vital*, to the cave of *Mars*, and there erecting a *Cross*, the Half Line of *Saturn*, betokens *Skirmish Flight*. The Crooked Line ascending the Cavea of *Mars* to the Tuberclie of *Saturn*, tens *Imprisonment*, or at least *Confinement at a House in a few Months.*

THE three Parallel Lines drawn from the  
arcade of the Sun to the Vital, promise a  
Glimpse of Honour from some Couriers and

n the Interlection of the Lines, makes the  
lōubtful.

these Signatures point out his *Destiny*; so  
ewise Denote the badness of his *Disposition*.

*Saturnia Descending* by an unaocustion'd  
inly shows a *Corrupt Nature*.

: *Thoral Line* Emitting small Branches to-  
the *Ferient*, discover troublesome Passions  
in his Breast, as *Tyranny*, *Incontinēce*, and  
*of Faith*.

: *Saturnine Particle* in the *Cavea of Mars*,  
s *Fruitless Expeditions in War*, *Foolish Coun-  
se Unfortunate Events*.

host, there is nothing to be observ'd in his  
e ghat disposes to a Prosperous End.

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## The High-German Doctor. No 22.

From Tuesday, July 13. to Friday, July 16. 1714.

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Gentlemen and Ladies,

I Smile at the Impotent Malice of those Obscure Physicians who are continually Traducing my Character, and, notwithstanding the frequent Proof I have given of my Ability, and Inviolable Attach to the Good of the Constitutions, allow me to be no better than a Quack, and Mysterious Juggler.

B U T I think my self sufficiently recompenc'd for all these hard Names, by the good Opinion and Confidence I have establish'd with the College and Censors of Great Britain, who have, upon certain Occasions, applauded my Practice, and conniv'd at it, when the Method has been a little Rash and Unwarrantable.

H O W they, whose Busines's it is to enquire carefully into the Constitutions of People, and rectify any Mistakes committed by an Unskilful Hand, have been brought to acknowledge a Practice so opposite to the Rules of Art, is somewhat perplexing; but the Surprize will instantly wear off, when I tell you, That most Doctors take Fees.

I having the Chief Direction of the Stage, and consequently

frequently the Disposal of the Profits, fail not  
work upon the *Flexible Tempers*, in a way they  
e no Power to Resist, Screening my self there-  
from many Vexatious Enquiries, and gaining,  
it were a Satisfaction to my Practice.

TO U cannot imagine how powerfully this No-  
t works upon the Generality, for tho' my En-  
es are constantly loading my Character with the  
ns of *Quack*, and *Impostor*, yet having the  
probation of the *Consors* they think me a very  
found and Infallible Doctor.

IT would be a vain Attempt in a Rational-  
fician, to perswade the Vulgar into a Belief of  
Method I take to Compaſs the Approbation of  
College; they would conclude it impossible that  
Member could be so tamper'd with to destroy  
Priviledges of his Faculty, or be in the Plot  
inſt his own Interest.

I glory in their Simplicity, and am glad they  
e not Penetration enough to discern our Intrigues,  
now what Learned Doctor's may be brought to  
ply with upon pressing Occasions, by the Charms  
*Large Pees.*

BU T I lay not my Stileſ entirely upon this  
*terful Temptation*: There is a great deal of Fine-  
besides, requir'd to keep up this Confidence and  
probation of my Practice: I apply to every Man  
ly, I feel his Pulse to see what Temper he is in;  
whether it beats *High* or *Low*; examine whether he  
Clean or Defil'd Hands; whether his Tongue  
wift or Slow; what Reputation he has in his  
tice; whether a Popular Physician, or not: If

Draught of *Aurum Potabile*.

AS the most Learned Professors are not the Best Speakers, nor the Best Speakers the Adroit Managers, so I take Care to size Man's Talents to the Occasion which and distribute them accordingly into Classes..

I am oblig'd to pay that Deference to the every Year, as to send them a Specimen *General Preparations*, with an Account how they apply them. As there are so many Physici different Tastes and Judgments, so it can be expected that the Purest Drugs, or most Sure Practice, should pass uncensur'd, especially the Division between the *Signetur* and *Non-Signetur* Men runs so high. I am sure to be roasted *Non-Signetur* Men; their Taste is plaguy'd their Eyes so Piercing, that they soon disFlaw.

THEY are People, you must know, who for fine Reasoning; and, to speak the Truth is one of the most disagreeable Faults the Guilty of, they go roundly to work with preparations, analyse them carefully, examine w

lways distinguishes himself: His Great Capacity Ready Apprehension, and Matchless Pety in Delivering himself, always engages Attention of his very Enemies at the Board. joyn'd to a Serenity, under all the Pressures verse Fortune, and a steady Adherence to his iptions, when under the *Censure* of the Col have given him the Reputation of a Firm-f Soul not to be shaken: He always rises Warmth against all *Empirical Preparations*, ould carry this Point a great way in Reducing Excesses of *Stage-Practice*, it I was not 'd by a great Majority.

This always seconded by the Brave *Polemius*: pecular Boldness of his Practice, ballanc'd by sent, and enrich'd with Variety of Learning, him heard at all Consults with Veneration: *Bunney*, who was fortify'd by the *Prince of ness*, trembled under the Power of his Tongue, arraign'd for ill Practice: His severe In- res against the Corruptions of the Stage, I fear reach me some time; these I have endeavour'd wiate, by Placing a very strong Temptation in Way, which he, by a very unfashionable Inter- has rejected.

HEN these, and some other of the Able Practi- ss, have lavish'd their Reason and Spirits, then rs the Artful Management on my Behalf: Doctors, who are in the Secret, take no ce of their Charges against the Stage, or Preparations; that would be a Waste of : and, perhaps, open a new Scene of Mis- takes,

takes, which might be aggravated by Easing to palliate them, but, with a true discernness fall upon different Topicks, Divide Thoughts with something very Foreign; that's too great a Fatigue, put it to the Vote, *Medicines are faithfully prepar'd, and du*  
*nifler'd.*

THIS Method is very expeditious, : the Brain upon less Attention, and has Variety in it: I first brought this Mode being into Debates, to ward off Coming to Answers, which, with a little Improvement serve as an Introduction to the Art of Crosses.

WE have some other uncommon Arts Management; when I make a Stage Speech I am sure will fall into the Hands of the I have peculiar *Idioms*, and *Dresses*, or *La* that no Doctor can be sure he is in the of my Intention, always Crowding a Mable into it, which *Bungey* has made so much some call it the CHURCH.

THIS Charm carries off a great deal fish'd Nonsense, and makes two unintelligi riots read well after it, whilst in order to greater Indulgence to me above all other I never fail Larding a Paragraph with the gative of our Stage above all other Stages Town, which blinds the Ignorant, and keep even from a Thought of Violating the Frappings of it.

THESE Words were contriv'd to be pl:

willy, whenever any Jealousies affected my , or I found my self sinking in the Esteem aitants; but the Discovery of *Atty Brogue's* nt Dealings, and the Clamours of Three Spanish Patients against the Operation of sick, have made it necessary to call in s of Speech a little unseasonably.

satisfy'd, too great a Familiarity with them to wear them out of esteem; the Scars which crowded about my Stage will be the whom these Words will loose their Magnifications; which are so many Watch- or Oppression and Plunder.

I did not imagine the Defection of the Member College from my Interest would have been . This last Struggle look'd somewhat Ominous; did by no means like their Murmurs at ut of the Consultation Chamber. Talking Brogue's Knavish Practice, one of the gave a broad Hint at my being deeply d in the Mystery, Now we have caught at Fish, says he, a little more Patience iftry would have brought the great Shark

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## The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup>

From Tuesday, July 16. to Friday, July 20. 17

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Gentlemen and Ladies,

A N Officer of Distinction, whom I sent Time since, to the Spa for the Re of his Health, having contracted a New tempes in his Absence, is coming over change that Mineral for some Medicinal of our own.

M Y Opinion has been had already up Case, and I have allow'd him to drink them a proper Regimen: The Season seems ver pitious to my Patient, and, in all Probabil might recover without the Assistance of so a Physician; but it is not for the Credit Practice, that he should be restor'd with having an Hand in the Prescription.

ut of their Hands, which is very natural upon such a Disappointment.

I shall not contend with them about the *Efficacy* of the *Spas* in his Case: The Change of Air was what I chiefly aim'd at: Their Tampering with his Distemper at Home gave me frequent uneasiness, and I was resolv'd to call it by any name, to get an Opportunity of sending him broad.

**T**HE Anxiety of Spirit, created by such Inhuman treatment, say they, has thrown him into this New Distemper: By which Reasoning, they not only excuse my Fraud in Sending him Over, but fasten a charge upon me of Hastening his End.

*IT is with Indignation*, says one of the Regular Physicians, *the other Day, that I see a Man reduc'd to this Unhappy Circumstance by Ill Management: That it could ever enter into the Head of the most Daring Quack to give such a wrong Turn to an Harmless Inoffensive Case! That one so Clear in his Intelle&ts, Free from Virtigo's, Giddiness, or any Excesses of Fancy, Happy in a constant Equality of Temper, with Regular Pulsations, and Sound Vitals, should ever be thought to have a Defective Heart, or a Distemper'd Brain.*

**T**HE Resentment, continues he, Arising from a Consciousness of his being Clear in his Head, and so Unphysically treated, has prey'd upon his Spirits to such a Degree, as to break the Texture of his Blood, so that the Serous Part cannot unite with the Globules thereof, and occasions this Quick Secretion.

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THUS they account for it in a Rational and all the *Regular Practitioners*, to a Man lieve them; but, alafs, it's lost upon my Pt. My Patients are not to be reach'd by this cf Stating the Case, nay, some will tell they have resign'd most of their Senses:- & has clos'd their Eyes; I have given the Sleeping Draught; my Corn-Cutters have them to the Quick, with very little Eu from the Patient; the Half Dozen Blacks I in Stage-Pay deafen them with the won Successes of our Practice, and the Regular Constitutions, to what they were some Years since.

YOU must think it gives me a sensible Jo see what a *Mastery* I have over the *Regular ficians* in the Eye of the World, and how are spleen'd at their not being able to perf Mankind that I have taken this Officer's Wrong, and treated him accordingly.

I have an Hundred Ways of turning every they can offer in Behalf of him and themse to Disadvantage, my People being got in a Ve Credulity.

I have enjoyn'd him during the Course Regularity, and Privacy, not to entertain Company, and what he does, at Seasonable H not to take the Advice of any other P cians, or to be seen with any of the Galenical Co of the College.

IF I find he transgresses any Prescrib'd R I can give out by my Oracle Smut, That his

Juniper was made use of only as a *Feint* to cover some other Intention: That the Fumes beginning to work violently: That Frequent Visits from the *Regular Physicians*, and warm Consults upon the Stage, disorder'd his Brain: That his Eyes glare, and he only waits an Opportunity of getting on Horse-Back, and Riding over me and my Stage, when the Fit is strong upon him.

THESE Topicks are artfully descanted upon, together with a strong Cry of the Danger which threatens the Stage from his Breaking loose, and the *Regular Physicians* seconding him with their Advice, strike the Imaginations of those who have set out their Senses, tho' Smut has worn his Tale almost Thread-bare.

I have found my Account strangely, in giving out, That the Brains of those People are Distemper'd, who will not be govern'd by my Prescriptions: This Imputation lowers them in the Opinion of Mankind: So that all the Relief they can expect is to be Pity'd and Neglected. By this laudable Method I have perswaded the Vulgar to believe, That a Junto of *Regular Physicians* were, some Years since, going to Poyson the Constitutions of the People, giving every Dose of Physick in a Vehicle of Juniper, and after that to cut their own Throats.

YOU will think these Influences of mine upon my Patients a little Romantick, but I could let you into a greater Instance of Stupidity: I have, by the Mediation of Smut, told the People, that some of their Best Friends have been Infected with

which the Rabble of my Stage are  
to lessen.

ONE Particular Instance of this k  
never forget, with regard to this Offi  
been speeaking of.

THIS Person had render'd himself  
Remarkable by Services, and being  
Note, I envied the *Regular Physicians*  
of such a Patient, I knew I should  
him by his own Consent, so I cont  
one of my Operators to lessen him in  
of my Patients.

F|RUITFUL Smut was ready: *We  
him a little Lunatick in the Eyes of*  
says he: *By what Medium I could not  
Leave that to me, says Smut.*

HE accordingly in his next Weekly

he Sober Part, but the Rabble being told,  
were all to be knock'd down in their Turn,  
the Esteem they had for his Person, and  
and joyp'd with Smut in the Cry.

Another Proof was such a round Brazen  
that my Brother *Rablaïs* of *Fibbing Memoirs*  
set the like in his Memoirs of *Pantagruel*;  
as in Pain for my Friend *Smut* when he  
k'd it off; which was, "That this Officer  
when Abroad, had Stolen a Tun of Bread  
from his Comrades, and kept Crumpling his Por.  
with it till he burst, and would not give  
a Crust. *Smut* had grafted the Story be-  
came over to disprove him; and the  
allow'd this Officer to be a little Parsimo-  
ny his Temper, till a Comrade of his Read-  
of *Smut's Quack Bills*, "D——n this  
ly Lyar, says he, I had always more Bread  
I could Eat, if I had him in Place where,  
dog should smell Powder.

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## The High-German Doctor.

From Tuesday, July 20. to Friday, July 23.

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

THE Interruption given to the Stage from Accidents and Cases of Importance kept Harry Gambol from pursuing his Course of Anatomy, but those being in a great Measure mov'd, and he being under no Apprehension of the College this Vacation, resolves to go on with his Lectures and Operations.

I thought my Stage had been sufficient before, but I find Harry has, without difficulty, taken in a Servant extraordinary to the Parts for Dissection, who, as I am told, handles a Knife just with the same Dexterity as the great Professor his Master.

YOU will pardon me, I am sure, for venturing into a Conceit of the Man, before I know him; the Singularity of the Choice is too great a Surprise upon your Imagination to fall directly upon his Name, and therefore I believe the Stage under the last Necessity they retain such a wonderful Operator.

HE is just of Harry's Size for Those

has just as much Knowledge of the Affair g'd in, sets off the few Terms of Art he illy pick'd up, with the same Ostentation ' in not being sensible of his Ignorance.

great Fortune he has in the World sup- Confidence, and lends him a Forwardness of , which seconded by Rakish Airs defends a strict Examination: These joyn'd to the t he wears upon particular Days, so dazzling Eyes of the Vulgar, that he really passes i for a Man of competent Skill in his Profession; whilst the Men of Remark tell you, He has qualifications which belong to those who al- with their Mouths wide open.

to put an end to your Curiosity, I must tell you that *Will Wildfire* is the Person who is to *Harry's* Service, and his Approbation I'll go a great Way with you, in the Opinion an's Capacity.

SE subtle Knaves, it seems, have been improving Talents upon the Bodies privately, and themselves in frequent Dissections at a little Anatomy School they have set up at *Greenwich*.

SE private Courses I suppose were under- order to give their Eyes the Satisfaction of viewing the minutest Parts of the Structure in a quick View, and to make their Penetration

SE who are no Strangers to their Operas tell me, Their Fancy has led them much into Female Dissections; there is indeed no curiosity to be serv'd in Criticizing on the different

different Formations of Nature, but likewis ful Instructions gather'd from the various Te of the Parts.

B U T I could never imagine that this k Erace of Anatomists had been so Busy about Dead, when their Inclinations run so strong for Living, unless Harry designs for a *Man Mi* and *Will for a Dry Nurse*.

I expect to hear a blessed Account of their Finances, Bodies mangled, Instruments broke Tables overset in their mad way of Dissec and many other pretty Exploits to the L Credit of my Stage.

I hope they have been so prudent to c the Bodies away after such a Violation of Parts, least the Deformity of their Ope should appear, and the Print of their Tee the Scarfe Skin.

B U T they, according to their laudable u of bearing thro' all Mistakes with a goodudent Grace, would not have been put muc of Order, if they had been surpriz'd in Dissections by the *Regular Anatomists*, or p their Instruments.

T H E S E bold Operations confirm'd by S will bring them shortly to be always Dissec and, in Time, I suppose all other Business u neglected for this new Branch of Art.

T H E R E was a nice Case relating to A tations lodg'd in the Surgery the other Day, requir'd immediate Dispatch: I was imp because all Mistakes reflect a Dishonour up

ff Director of the Stage: After I had  
f and Servants in Quest of Harry,  
ws brought me, That He and his Man  
: gone a Body-Hunting to Greenwich.  
Sieglects as these go to my Soul, and  
of this kind are dangerous. I not  
'd the most Industrious in my Calling,  
fect Rattle, the several Branches of  
are executed in a very slovenly man-  
*Regular Physicians* fail not of giving  
Turn to our Stage-Oeconomy.

temperate in my Expostulations with  
is Head, but I find the softest Lan-  
Offence, for he tells me plainly, He  
his Dissections, tho' the Stage was

irtness of him is insupportable, when  
id Care and Accuracy to him in his  
Performances: The other Day seeing  
a Part after a Butcherly manner, I  
to go about it with a better Address:  
a Graceless Front, instantly reply'd,  
*Noble Doctor, have, in your Physical*  
*id the Body asleep, Anglice, kill'd it,*  
*e Leave to mingle or carbonadoe it in*  
*ical Way.*

he is always bearing hard upon the few  
ommit in Practice, which I thought he  
forgot, thro' the Incuriousness of his  
it I find them lodg'd in Reserve against  
ach between us.

I beg him to carry a lighter Hand  
H 2 in

in his Dissection, he taillies i and the Bod  
his Knife after his usual Sneering manner.  
Doctor, says he, you talk to me as if I was  
up a Sensible Part: The Body I am concern  
is perfectly Dead, no more Life than a S  
Marble; I have torn it, twisted, and man  
with all the Instruments of Torture in my S  
and I am sure there is no Sensation left.

I grant that, says I, Harry, but then i  
some Regard to Decency: The Eyes of the  
are upon us, and they loce to see a Part han  
Dissected, tho' they hate the Operator.

YOU Doctor, replies Harry, are for comp  
ing Peoples Eyes, in order to bribe the rest i  
Senses, but that in my Opinion is wrong,  
Least Concern you express for pleasing the  
of our Stage in one particular, proclaims a  
of what you have done already: You and I,  
have been so extravagant in our Practice, one  
Prescriptions, and the other in his Operations,  
Least Modesty would shame us, and People have  
long us'd to a slovenly Treatment, that  
Method would be lost upon them.

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## e High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup>. 25

Friday, July 23. to Tuesday, July 27. 1714.

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*men and Ladies,*

Cases which are daily sent me in the  
erl Branches of my Faculty being so numer-  
ous am forc'd to rely on the Judgment and  
.. of my Operators, who often, I fear,  
sho' Negligence, or want of Taste, defraud  
me of many Curious Incidents.

To repair these Mistakes, I have several Files  
Dispensary, where all Cases are Register'd  
cally, so that I can, by knowing of what  
they are, readily turn to them, and if I  
/ thing remarkable, communicate it to the

OKING, the other Day, over the File  
goes by the Name of *Fanciful*, where the  
*ill Fighters*, the *Court-Solicitors*, the *Vi-*  
, and *Mine-Adventurers* Complaints are  
'd, I spy'd a Letter with one of the most  
cal Inscriptions my Eyes ever beheld:  
riosity was prompted, by the Singularity  
Stile, to look over the Contents, and I

I cannot, without Offe  
ravity, give you a sight of it.

BUT as I have read in the Title &  
Merry Book, *Pills to Purge Melancbo*.  
Shall conform my self to that worthy  
and try to relieve your Spleen by the  
Letter.

The Inscription runs thus.

To the Celebrated *Hermodactyl*, chief  
*Slaves in the Stage-Practice.*

I Jacob, Emperor of the Moon, King of U  
and the New Atlantis, Prince of Terra h  
nita, and all the Floating Islands of the Univ  
send Greeting.

YOU have ty'd me down to such Rigid  
Scripions, that I apprehend will not consist w  
the Honour of so uncontroulable a Prince  
follow. In this respect I differ nothing fro  
Vulgar Patient, and the Restraints are iks  
to me.

M Y Conduct is not to be measur'd by  
narrow Rules of your Stage, neither will I  
serve the Regimen enjoyn'd in the ordinary Co  
of Distempers.

T HE Pills to which you give the pom  
Name of *Restorative*, are of an Astringent Na  
they bind me up too much for my Constituti  
I approve those which are more Opening;

like thole Quacks who proclaim a speedy Cure, without any Impediment to Business.

I find my self trifled with in your labour'd Systems of Physick, your tedious Method of preparing the Body, as you call it, your long Courses, your waiting a proper Season for dispensing your Grand Medicine: Your Objection to these Dog-Days, as not proper for a Cure, look like so many Frauds in your Practice, and Excuses to keep me in Hand till I am past Recovery.

IT is not sufficient to your Discharge to tell me, You have us'd your Endeavour; neither can you stop the stale Artifice upon me of Waiting a proper Crisis: Or that the several Plants of your Climate must be put in Digestion before they can Operate successfully in my Case, or have the Virtue of Restoring me.

I know the Season is propitious to me: A Concurrence of most of the Stars, except three or four of a Saturnine Aspect, which cannot obstruct my Cure: Mars in Conjunction with Venus; all the Vegetables are in their Prime, and point out to you a Method of Restoring me: The Herb Peony, the Noblest of your Growth, and a Specifick Head Medicine, seems fitted to my Case: You have several Shrubs of your Climate, which, with a very small Preparation would reach my Distemper: Your Black Hellebore promises much: London-Pride, they say, is not amiss: These assisted in the Course, with a strong Decoction of Lilly-Roots, would answer beyond Dispute.

THESE, as the Learned of the Faculty inform

*the High-German*

me, are the noblest Specificks in my C  
might have been administer'd with Succ  
Paying so great Deference to the receiv'd  
of your Skill, and the confident Assuranc  
gave of my Recovery, made me neglect al  
Applications.

F U R I E S ! Tear me for Depending up  
single Judgment, and thee for a Tricking,  
ling, Mysterious Quack ! How many Month  
I been set back in my Cure by thy damn'd  
ble of Ingredients, and *Drolling Cans of Fais*  
*Softly*? No Physician hereafter will be able to  
tinguish between the Malignity of my Disease  
and that of thy Poison. From this Moment  
renounce all thy *Lazy Measures*; hate thy Sin  
larity of Practice; despise thy heavy way  
Thinking; and curse thy *Incomprehensible Man*  
of Acting.

T H E Daring Practitioner henceforth shall  
my Favourite, who is above the narrow Regs  
of Forms, of Days, and Seasons, that bleeds in  
Dog-Days, and purges in hard Frosts, who prep  
his Medicines ope nly, who scorns to write a l  
of Characters, but shows the Prescriptions at  
length; and, in spite of Qualms, makes you swal  
it.

T H O U hast been always a Sneaker in  
Practice. The Nostrum's and Secrets in Phyl  
thou hast stolen from some Sanctify'd Brother  
Sister, have still a Check upon thee in thy P  
scriptions, and restrain thee from acting in C

In those of more open and Communicative

a wonderful Character of some of thy  
sons, give me your Chymical Men, your Sons  
that make the Elaboratory blaze with the  
the Furnace; I have a Salamander in my  
room I think of Retaining shortly, one of  
news and quicker Dispatch then any of  
e.

oyn'd to my two trusty Friends, Doctor  
I Doctor Lewis, who are passionately con-  
cern'd for my Recovery, and will leave no means  
I to restore me, may finish that Cure  
Months, which thy unactive Genius has  
spent Years attempting to little purpose..

my Head grows Giddy.

the Fire, Faggots —— Pile them on  
us, do they Recant? Let the Dogs dye  
in Mood: They don't resist, Ah: Ah:  
ye Sons of Black assist me, and attone,  
Blood —— Oh Glorious Deluge! Heresy.

O my Dear Holy Mother succour me;  
'oyson. ——

'E, I'll meet thee on the Plains of Sarum,  
if not restore me to my Senses.

Morrow I go a Man-Hunting, and dev-  
ed upon the Liver and Sweet-Bread of

Soul presages glorious Mischief! Oh  
ful Error of the Mind! Thou hast  
Frenzy to this Height, and none shall

I hear you are determin'd to quit the Soc  
privately, and run off with the Plunder of the  
Patients you have patch'd up for the presel  
and cheat them both of their Senses and the  
Money. Pray remember in the Inventory of yo  
Righteous Gains, my Gold Goblet, &c. Which  
gave you in Earnest for my Restoration.

W H A T mad Devil possess'd me to fall in  
this Fellow's Hands, after so notorious a Charlatan  
for making Confusion in the Head and Bowels  
and Palliating Diseases created by his own Per-  
son for Three or Four Years, in order to a most  
desperate Relapse?

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## High-German Doctor. N° 28.

iday, July 27. to Tuesday, July 30. 1714.

in of Practice being determin'd, I think  
Point of Duty to take my Leave of you  
d'some Manner: The last Words of a  
n are always heard with Attention, and  
g Impressions upon the Audience, especially  
n a Person who, thro' the whole Course  
criptions, has been fam'd for Intelliging of  
a plain undisguis'd Way of Talking.

or have courted your Remembrance of me  
that Way, I am strangely mistaken if I  
left something behind that will make you  
eternity. feel me, and bless me after an ex-  
emplary life.

ice almost determin'd to quit the Stage  
by Ceremony; but fearing it might be-  
n. as Ingratitude, I resolv'd to mount; On  
and, I was dissuaded by an unlucky Sugg-  
est. a Dying Speech look'd too much like  
that have run thro' such a Course of life  
the Service of the Publick, could safely  
master

arden'd by Custom, can hear the World al  
thout any violent Emotions.

I never strove to engage the Favour of th  
lace, and yet have had the Luck to be the  
eminent Doctor by them; and for one th  
study'd an obliging thing in his whole Lif  
maintain'd a tolerable Character amongst t  
I kept in Suspence.

Y O U well remember, I first enter'd t  
Stage in pure Charity to the Distressed, yo  
giv'd it at that Juncture, however your Se  
may be aker'd at present; that Compassion fo  
in time brought me to have a little for my  
considering my Publick Spirit, few People h  
better for themselves.

I praise you all for the Confidence you  
in me at my first setting forth: It was the  
Proof you ever gave of your Discretion; yo  
your selves oppres'd in the *Regular Physician*  
and came to me for Relief, and I think I ha  
you effectually.

NONE of you, as I hear, complain of t  
ness and Load upon your Hipps you us'd  
about you; the Evacuations I prescrib'd y

*rest upon your Judgment, and therefore my Advice to you is, to fit down consented.*

YOU have been often impos'd on, and thank'd be Antif which has deceiv'd you. I beg you not to be harder upon me than you are upon Common Fugglers.

THESE must be a little Craft in all Professions, and you have had the least from me you could expect. You know (and being arriv'd to such a Pitch of Wealth, I am not afrah'd to own it) when I first mounted the Stage I was but meanly stor'd with Pockets; my Credit at the lowest Ebb; I had scarce Stage-Cant enough to carry me off clean in the Eye of the Vulgar; I appear'd but slenderly attended; I Cast Velvet-Coat, without so much as an Inch of Gold-Trimming, and none of my Tumblers fix'd to leap, and frisk, and debauch your Sight; and yet, under all these Disadvantages, you roar'd out for *Hermodadyl's Catholick Pills* and Powders.

I cannot blame you, ye Sons of *Britain*, you are Wealthy People, and ought to have your Humour, in that confests your chief Virtue: But least this Wealth should make you ungovernable, Nature has given you the Allays of Credulity and Superstition, by which every little Impostor takes Advantage of you, and plunders you.

IF I had been wickedly dispos'd, what might not I have done after you had made so full and firm a Renunciation of your Senses: To have plunder'd you, had not been taken Notice of: I could have Anatomiz'd you Limb by Limb, but Conscience —

I speak not this to arm you against Frauds and Impostures.

Impostures, for the Future I pret<sup>e</sup> to know you better; you are as well pleas'd in being deceiv'd, as the Deceiver is in Imposing on you. My *Blacks* will Inculcating, that Credulity gives the Mind less Uneasiness than a scrupulous Disposition.

I am not surpriz'd at your being inveigled with show and Ostentation in Practice: A Doctor, assisted with good Tumblers and Archy's of all Sizes, may be allow'd to go a great way with the Senses, and establish his Power: Considering this, it's a Mystery to me, that your thinking Fellows without any Pomp but sheer Reason, should pretend to work upon the Fancy, which is always best pleas'd with the liveliest and giddiest Images in Nature.

AS I began with showing of Tricks, so I shall end with them: A full and hearty Laugh from the Crowd at Parting is a good Omen, and confirms their Opinion of one's Practice: Besides, going off so unconcernedly, gives a Brightness to the Character, and may, perhaps, bring some Patients to me for private Advice, after I have quitted the Stage.

YOU must think, as I have been a Man of Business, I shall not covet to live wholly unemploy'd, or pass a Life of Inactivity with so Working a Brain: If I have no Practice, my Mind will be more at large for the Entertainment of Spiritual Concerns, and a little Perswasion will tempt me to set up a Weekly Lecture.

THERE are several Common-Places in my Possession, about Light and Darkness, which for a few Years I have cover'd over, and made Blanks of, to prevent

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Oppress'd &c. S. n. my Stage-Practice, but, with a  
little Exhibit u. be of Service to me in a differ-  
ent Calling.: All u. L. r, is, That my Audience  
will still be Objecting Stage Practice to me, and  
that I shall, unawares, mix some of my Unre-  
generate Cant with. the other, which may be deem'd  
Prophanation amongst the Elders.

HOW to regain a Confidence with that Set of  
People who once admitted me to a Brotherly Com-  
munion, will be a difficult Point to get over. Let  
me see: I must first form my Mouth to proper  
Phrazes; we have some Physical Terms will answer to  
their Proprieties: Operation is a word I have been  
us'd to; it is but adding Powerful, and it will serve  
in their way: The chief Labour will be to give a  
Solemnity to the Tone in Pronunciation, which I  
have almost forgot: It must be sung or said in  
Quavers Pow-er-ful O-pe-ra-tions: This must be  
often repeated with a few Tokens of Contrition,  
which I can easily learn from a Monthly Malefactor,  
and then I am equipp'd for some fresh Leger-  
demains.

I have one Advantage over all Mankind, which I  
pride my self in, That after all my Revolution in Pra-  
ctice, from Galenical to Chymical, from Chymical to  
Galenical, I have still been Courted by the several  
Professors in their turns, and thought sincere in my  
Prescriptions: I would not despair of Imposing even  
upon the Regular Physicians again, by Swearing  
heartily I have renounc'd all my Stage-Practice, if  
they had not fix'd a Belief of my having a Dispen-  
sation for Oaths of all kinds.

S Q M.E.

SOME People may fancy this Resignation of the Stage will mortify me in Private, tho' I give my self all the Glosses of contented Looks and Deportment; I pity the Shallowness of their Reflections, and can assure them, I have found the Planks of the Stage so rotten alate, that I was forc'd to be very circumspect in my Tread, but have been loath to proclaim it, for fear of Loosing a round Sum of Money I expected for the Good Will of it, and much Good may the Purchase do them who come after:

MY Warning was so short that I had not time to Regulate the Stage, but my Successor Dr Vesuvius, I presume in his next will give you Elaborate Reasons for my Quitting the Stage, with a Pompous Account of his ensuing Practice.

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## The High-German Doctor. N°. 27.

CONTINUED

By Harry Gambol, Licentiate.

From Friday, July 30. to Tuesday, August 3. 1714.

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Gentlemen and Ladies,

THE Spleen which accompanies the Disgrace of an Eminent Practitioner is not to be equall'd by the narrow Resentments which flow from the common disappointments of Life.

THIS admits of no Debate, when we look back upon the *Invidious Behaviour* of *Hermodadyl*; who, not content with the Plunder of a Million he has stolen from the good People of South-Britain, whilst he gave the Bewitching Pill of *Philonium Romanum*, has taken the Liberty to brand my Character, which was bad enough before, in his last Advertisement, under the suspicious Title of *Dr. Vesuvius*.

YOU all know the scandalous Import of the Name, and his Intention was to ruin my Practice, by Hanging out such a Flaming Sign to my Stage. 'S Death, says a Subtle Knave amongst the Rabble, the other Day, *That Vesuvius is a Burning Mountain*.

sain, and we must have a Care of Dealing with Doctor of such a Fiery Title, for fear of being burn' to a Cynder.

THIS Character of me, I know, was artfull spread, in Order to give a Gloss to the Moderate Practice he has affected alate, and to heighten People's Aversion to my Prescriptions: But I tha know all his Simples and Compositions cannot b impos'd upon, and do aver to you, kind Gentleme of the Rabble, That, during the whole Course of m Attendance, this Fellow gave the same Poyson as did, only he had the Formal Patience to wait t Wrapping it up in Leaf-Gold, or a Wafer, whilst always trusted to People's Blindnes, and kind D gestion, and follow'd my Female Dissections : Greenwich.

THIS most Noble Doctor has, in his close W: of Managing, endeavour'd to make me as blind : his Patients, and always kept the Key of his Elaboratory safe, as he thought, but I having a Pick Lock, never scrupled Opening it at a proper Seasof By which means, I have been let into a full Disc very of all his Mysterious Practice.

It would confound your Intellects, stagger t Remains of Sense we have left you, to run ov the modest Part of his Practice: The desperate Pr scriptions are acknowledg'd in your Countenance and will never wear out, and every Gripe you sh hereafter will be owing to *Hermodactyl*.

I can never be thought so Criminal as he, beca I only Operated upon the Skin, and extream Parts the Body, and whenever I went to the Quick, affir

it was by that *Impudent Quack's* Direction; excepting those Mistakes my Ignorance of institution threw me upon.

These Errors, I think, are pardonable in one Genius was fitted purely for Loosening of n's Girdles, and Tickling a Pblegmatick Com- into some Air and Sensation; and I must think it as great a Presumption in him to me Director of the Launcet, as it was in take upon him the Chief Goverment of the

take not this to wash my self entirely clean ur Judgments: A Week's Experience has t you to a Sense of Feeling, and you be- act the ill-natur'd Part of Seeing the False and Colours we have been forc'd to make in our Practice.

A L.L. I tell you one Thing, without Fixing magination, and Urging you to sacrifice that ble Impostor? I have, at this Time, in my all the Letters which pass'd between him and and Petit, with the private Articles relating ab the Knight of the Warming-Pan's Case. contract with *Le Grand Petit* for his Board & *Fantanelle's* House; his Scheme of bring- er the Young Lunatrick in a Cover'd Waggon, ar of Exposing him to the Populace to be Pieces.

T W I T H S T A N D I N G the little Artifi- make poor deluded Patients believe, That *Hanno*, a Young Gentleman of the Best Fa- n Europe, had bespoke an Apartment, and  
was

was admitted to go a Course in his Elab  
in Order to know the Constitutions of this C  
and distinguish Gold from Bath-Mettle; yet  
by the *Holy Priaps* (whose Votary I shall e  
this Whining Quack had made Back Stairs  
Blind before them to conceal *Young Jacob*.

M Y Resentments were alway keen, b  
edg'd to the last Degree by the Load of Infa  
Wretch *Hermodaffyl* would throw upon me  
I am almost upon the Point of Discovery  
*Regular Physicians* would but encourage me.

THERE can be no Detection of it  
Practice, which has been maintain'd for Fot  
past, unless I that was chiefly concern'd in it  
ing part of the Nation appear, and let them kn  
we anointed our Patients without killing the  
Silver, and the frequent Spots they have  
seen, late owing to the Wicked Preparation  
Medicine.

I would willingly attone for my Personal  
at any Rate, and can safely charge all the  
Blunders upon *Hermodaffyl*; I begin to p  
my self, you think him so Prodigious an  
that all my Levities in Concert with *Will*  
will be past by with a gentle Animadversio

THERE are but two Mistakes of any  
that he can lay to my Charge: One is Sig  
Contract for the Knight of the *Warming-Pan*  
the other, Kissing his Hand in a Drunken  
with a true Cavalier Air.

T H E S E are such gay Excesses that ever  
natur'd Creature will pass over with an Eye

divance ; and *Hermoda&y/l* telling me, There was no Harm in it at that Time, I had no manner of Reserve.

S H A L L I unbosom my self to you, and you not take an Advantage ? I had no other Way of Retrieving that Mistake, but by Appearing as Lunatick as the *Young Knight*, and I Gad I had a Design of bringing Lunacy into Fashion, that I might never have wanted Practice.

I was so sure of the Prime Direction of the Stage, that I went about my Dislections at Greenwich with all the Freedom and Unconcernedness imaginable : I had bespoke all my Fire-works, and retain'd Half a Dozen *Blacks* with Wild-Fire in their Mouths to give a Blaze to my Entrance, but that Lady *Maura* got the Better of my dear Damn'd Confouuded Privy *Poplin*.

This cursed Incident has given such a Blemish to my Character, and such a Turn to my Prospect, that I am forc'd to mount now in the Quality of Proxy to Dr. *Balsamicus*, who not being very Ostentatious in his Practice, is willing I should show out all my Tricks.

I suspect this new Doctor is an Enemy to *Hermoda&y/l's* Practice of *Quid pro Quo*, and resolves to banish all the Precipitate Medicines out of the Surgery ; the Parts being eaten down so low, that he thinks it's high Time to talk of Incarning, which may be fair Practice, but I'll be sacrific'd upon the same Tree that our poor Stoker *Gregg* suffer'd, if ever he gets half the Fees by his Regular Application

FOR the Future I shall not depend upon  
thing without my Grasp. To see *Will Wildy*  
sit Pensive together taking Snuff by way of  
ment, and turning Tail on each other, like  
marry'd Couple, begins to be notice'd by the  
*Physicians* as Tokens of Guilt. To think o  
Running his Country, and *Hermoda&y l*'s giv  
ness for a Boat, are such Revolutions, that  
account for. My Brain perhaps may be better  
in my next.

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**The High-German Doctor. ¶**

**CONTINU'D**

**By Harry Gambol, Licentia:**

*From Tuesday, August 3. to Friday, August 6*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

THE Credit of our Stage being very mi  
sen'd within these few Days by the  
Management of *Hermoda&y l*, and I having li  
siness in the *Surgery*, mount in some obscure  
of the Town to dispose of the few Packets he  
*behind him.*

ON Wednesday last I perceiv'd the Audience much inner than ordinary, and a different Air in the countenances of People: Whether I had lost my usual Vivacity, or having quitted the merry Part of ~~the~~, they thought me out of my proper Sphere, I cannot determine; but sure I am, I had not Interest enough to raise one strong Laugh in the Men, or engage so much as a Dimple in the Cheeks of the Young Venerables.

ALL People seem'd transported with the Approach of one *Mirabel*, a Regular Physician, whom *Hermosayl* and I Four Years since, by the Assistance of one *Lungey* a sturdy Vagabond Quack, and other Tools of that Size, run down in his Practice to such a degree, that even Thousands whom that Great Physician had rescu'd from the Grave, and Brink of Destruction, came into the Cry against his Prescriptions, and swore our *extempore Practice* was much superior to his.

I thought we had the Populace fast in this Credulity till within this Week: But such a Revolution in the Minds of the People was never seen but once before, for the Cry no sooner reach'd my Stage, that *Mirabel* intended to Practice again, but the Audience with one Consent, remember'd their Benefactor, and joyn'd in the Applauses of him, with a Look that portended no good to me, saying, *What do we spend Time in bearing this impudent Quack prate, and he has no more Tricks to show us.*

I had no Power to speak, but after a Pause recovering my self: *Great Aesculapius*, says I, *take Pity on the Sons of Art: Is this the Fruit of our Four Years*

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*Compassion to the Infirmities of poor People?* I there was no Refuge but in a seeming Conce their Good, and they were too busy to exami Cheat I put upon them.

W A S ever such an unlucky Turn given to *blist'rd Practice?* When we had bended the Ge ty to a real Belief of our Art, put them aln of a Capacity of Judging whether we us'd the or *Ill*, that this damn'd doubling *Hermodactyl* quit the *Dispensary* in such a scandalous manne Jeave only a few mouldy Packets behind him Cheft.

WHILST *Mirabel's* Benevolence to M was ador'd, and his former Practice cry'd up Skies, I was curions in Examining the Coun of my Audience, and found it in vain to l their Attention under the strong Aversion I sing in their Blood.

I therefore was very sparing of my Insinu and considering the hopeful Patients which w behind, it was happy for me I came off so wel small Retinue consisted but of Four *Irish* Ra Three *French Papists*, and Two Priests cast in B Mould.

The Acclamations for *Mirabel* were so hear I began to reflect upon *Hermodactyl's* Dying concerning the Rottenness of our Stage, but thought the Planks could have decay'd in fou Time to such a Degree of Contempt.

S M U T deserted last Friday, and dropp'd ti lication of his *Weekly Bills*: Yet I must have sion for that Fellow in my last Agonies, bec

*iated, thro' the whole Course of his Drud-  
Truth, Good Manners, or a Tittle of Regu-  
ee.*

ther Grand Support, the Monitor, being de-  
f his Weekly Subsistence, and seeing the  
Ruins, is making a Formal Recantation, and  
he has been all this while encouraging you  
the Young Lunatick Patient Jacob when  
tho' the Falsifying Rogue has often told  
private, with a true Jesuitical Cant, *That*  
*no Touching him when once he did come.*

S Abandon'd, I must e'en trust to my own  
Front: But what I plaguily fear, is, that  
e, without the Laugh of our Side, will not  
I to be plain, the World says, *We have but*  
*rrit.*

**ABEL's Humanity to his Patients ever gave**

He always had so Engaging an Air in his Practice, and so Tender of the Constitution intrusted with, that I suspected he would be upon any desperate Case.

ll be a wonder, henceforward, how we un-  
m at first in the Esteem of the Populace,  
y'd his Practice, but now I am fully con-  
was only a Critical Madness we took the  
ge of; and by pure Art, I have cherish'd the

Senses of People being once restor'd, I  
Destiny in Capitals: To be disabled from  
a Launcet, or debarr'd of Mounting the  
more, is the least part of the Punishment  
I am under some Apprehensions of being

Blooded in the Jugular, which is the Vein I do care to be prick'd in.

THE Censors of the College, and Regular Physicians, I am told, design to vindicate their Privileges, and Rescue the Practice out of the Hands we Gentlemen Itinerant, and will make a ~~st~~ Enquiry, how many Dispensers have been of Creation.

THE Ferment which continues in the Bow of People, will be laid chiefly to *Hermodæus* Charge: The Scars left upon the Constitution having the Prime Direction of the Launcet, will near to affect my Dexterity.

*HERMODACTYL* has much the Advantage of me, if it only comes to a Fine, he having so long enjoy'd the most profitable Place of the Stage; the Devil is in it if by this time he cannot go Grand Compounder.

ALL my comfort is, that these Errors in Practice have seldom been Animadverted on to the pose. Where Numbers are, there will be a Divis and some may be tender upon the Account of what may happen to them in a Course of Practice.

THERE are besides a good many Abatements for Errors committed in our way, as calling even little Disorder in the Mails of Blood, or Irregular Pulsation, a Case of Extremity; every Sore, a Tendency to Mortification, which if believ'd, will justify many of my bold Stroaks, and screen other Operators from Reproach.

IT was my good Fortune, a few Years since to make the Vulgar believe they were Languishing

ay under the most Florid Complexions, & State of Health they enjoy'd from their bether this Vein of Credulity is entirely now not : The grateful applause paid to that Practitioner the other Day, gives me a utter at Heart, and foretoldes the Final our Old Friends of the Stage ; and then not expect the least Countenance from the d Regulars.

n less Meritorious than *Mirakel*, would it difficult to have Re-Establish'd himself Patients, after the Successful Poyson we 'd in the Bills of the Week : But it was think, as the Tide against him ran violent, n of Love would be as strong. We have our Calculations, for I find his Patients d a Sight of him, to let him know, by ided between Conscious Shame, and Love, had been impos'd on by Quacks and

d the Consequences of his Moderation, Persecuting Tongues of the Stage ; and his erate Behaviour upon his Friends We've given me a Stab, and leaves the Stage pprobrious Style.

The High-German Doctor. N° :  
CONTINU'D  
By Harry Gambol, Licentiate

From Friday, August 6. to Tuesday, August 10.

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*  
FROM this Moment, I protest against all Co-  
deracies in Physick, and resolve to depend on  
my self: The strongest Oaths and Vows I seal, refer  
to the superior Calls of Interest, and self-preferment;  
and Errors in Practice, tho' committed by com-  
are shifted from one to the other, and often chas-  
upon the less Criminal.

AS we are subject to many Mistakes in our  
fession, so whenever we apprehend a Detection,  
are like so many Plotters: Every one hastens to the  
Discovery, and recommend himself by the eas-  
Notice.

OF this sort we have met a Flaming Infu-  
alate, in the Persons of Codicil and Hermodactyl, who  
equally concern'd in the barbarous Practice  
Flushing and Purging unseasonably, and with im-  
per Medicines: Yet since their Patients have t:

larum, are endeavouring to transfer the Guilt one to the other, and make their Peace.

*ERMODACTYL* has one seeming Advantage in contest, because he quitted the Stage long before the Discovery, and decry'd Codicil's Vice as well as mine, giving out, *That there were Poisonous Drugs in Infusion, which would have ble Effects upon the Constitution.*

HIS Prescription, he affirms, is under both our Eyes, and threatens to produce it whenever the Masters of the College think fit to call him to an Account, and under this specious concern for the Health of the Publick proposes to make an Atonement. He serv'd himself so well by this Story, that of the Weakest amongst the Regular Physicians abated of their Rancour to him, and turn'd his chief Rage against Codicil and my self; and keeping up the same Flutter of Head and Eyes he passes upon the Stage, it passes with some for a Token of unconcernedness, and from thence conclude him innocent.

UTE I, that pretend to know him better, can tell you, it is all Affectation: I well remember, he serv'd himself just with the same Air, when his Stoker was truss'd up for administering that draught in which he prepar'd, and yet did not think the less Guilty for the Hardness of his Countenance.

He has been Practising upon his Face ever since he came to Maturity, and formerly deceiv'd many Persons, by his *Prim Appearance*: He Whines, Weeps,

*Cants, Looks Fierce, Serious or Wild,* by I  
has, if one may be allow'd to speak, a Suit  
for every Circumstance of Life.

HE is much better Gifted than *Codicil*, th  
was bred in the same good Old Way: But  
terity of Hand *Codicil* is a Match, and few  
with as good a Grace.

THIS Quarrel between them will put  
Vertues in a true Light, and the Work  
strangely enliven'd by such examples of  
Truth, and Integrity of Practice.

I have all their common Preparations in  
dy, and by that means can judge of their n  
Practice. *Hermodactyl*, indeed, generally  
Characters, but the Censors, I believe, wi  
to explain them.

*CODICIL's Charge* is somewhat heavy  
the *Dispensary* was entirely under his care  
Preparations passing his Hands, he is account  
any Mistakes in the Ingredients. The Seal  
they say, contain a great deal of Poison  
and most People who have taken them ha  
thrown into violent Tremblings and Convul

*HERMODACTYL*, after his Old  
way, will tell you, he had no Hand in Seal  
and consequently not chargeable with any  
that has proceeded from them; but I ha  
~~Codicil~~ affirm, that the Pacifick Electuary  
~~modactyl's~~ entirely; and that he brought all i  
dients together ready for Digestion, before  
quainted him with so choice an *Arcanum*;  
the Compliment he made him of letting i

only to draw him into a Share of the Center it should be enquir'd into.

's Stupid, was likewise taken in by *Hesmodityl* up this wonderful Medicine, and was with it, that I undertook to propagate the a Foreign Parts: It's true, I was no looser wardness, but very much question whether ill compound for the Mischief some say I in propagating it.

*Idicil* and *Hesmodityl* are apprehensive of upon that preparation, by endeavouring to endal of it upon each other: It's pleasant them wrangle about their Innocence, it mine, has taken its Flight some Years, up a Medicine they have applauded to the

Quarrel ran so high the other Day, that I d those two Eminent Practitioners would 'd *Prize-Fighters*, but what was wanting of Arms, was fully supply'd by the Keeness 'ngues: You are a R——, says one: You —, says the other: The Audience could distinguish between the two Names, and so luded them Both R——s alike.

*HODACTYL* ungenerously reproach'd him ng been his Supporter, and that he could turn into the Dust at Pleasure: And, after a l of Unregenerate Kant, talk'd of Stripping in the Fierceness of an *Almanzor*.

*ICIL* was not so present to himself as I n him upon greater Occasions; but whether to see so Eminent a Doctor turn'd Bully, or

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being conscious to himself of having thrown i  
Baneful Ingredients into the Composition, l  
little to say in his own Defence, but told h  
Parting, *His Mother taught him to Pray, and :*  
*Act the Man of this World.*

I know it has been *Hermodaßyl's* frequent  
alate, that he kept the Stage in order; that he  
saw *Codicil's* mischievous Brain; *Precipitate,*  
*Irish Operator's* Rashness; and my mad Pranks w  
soon bring the Stage into Contempt, and restore  
Reg'lar Physicians to full Credit with their Patier  
*Lord,* says he, very impudently, the other Day,  
one of the Censors of the Collcge, if there bad a  
been such a Revolution in the Stage, and Hot-Head  
Gambol bad gone on with his Scheme of Practice, A  
we Regular Physicians had been Ruin'd in Two  
Months Time.

I T brought the Story of the T—— and the *Apple*  
fresh into my Mind, and tho' I was under some con  
ceal'd Pangs at that time, I could not forbear breaking  
a Laugh full in his Face, to see him claim a Relation  
with Scholars, and he an Ignorant Quack.

T H E R E is an *Impudence* peculiar to our Stage,  
which carries us thro' Difficulties of the largest  
Size. — He stood it, unmov'd, and look'd as if he  
had really believ'd what he said: I could have  
heartily blush'd for him, if one Spark of Grace had  
been left within me.

A L L that he has to value himself upon, or can  
ive him the least pretension to a favourable Censure,  
the Backwardness he has express'd alate to the  
ception of the *Young Lunatick*, when *Codicil* and

press'd him to declare himself fully upon that

sal to all that know the Noble Doctor, whe-  
Preparations did not look as promising as  
expected? And to himself, whether he had  
left given him from Roselle the French Surgeon?  
we press'd a little too importunately for such  
a Patient, I am sure at one time we did not  
is Modesty.

S Squeamishness, alate, I am satisfy'd, was  
ring to his fear of Miscarrying in the Cure,  
y aversion he had to the Entertainment of  
For it's plain, he suffer'd his Guardian, Le  
bit, to make his own Terms, and was so  
isant as to send his own Man *Mar. Rummel* to  
them.

RE would have been no Room for these  
Complaints, if we had been bless'd with a  
wicked Director, but falling in with such a  
Fac'd Quack that whin'd us into a Confi-  
we could expect no better Success than to be  
at last by a Malicious Sneer.

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The High-German Doctor. №.

CONTINU'D

By Harry Gambol, Licentiate

From Tuesday, August 10. to Friday, August 13.

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

I am no Stranger to the Heavy Mirth Hermon makes amongst the Brothers of the Quill, the rare Oeconomy of a Stage without any Part belonging to it; and my Assuming the Character of a Licentiate, when I only prescribe upon Country and cannot draw so much as a Tooth without Inspection of the Censors.

BETTER would it have been for the People of Britain, if the same Check had been upon him: We should not have seen so many Millions of real use Walking the Streets in Red Tabards and so many Idle Pamper'd Blacks in good Flanders Cloath. But I appeal to the Impartial, what was not a Modest Step in me to make a Gentle Ascent, from a Tumbler to a Licentiate, than if I had without any Call, except the Groaning Spleen of his Family, from an Half-Starv'd Rat to some Doctor.

THE Assurance of him upon this occasion fires : to the last Degree, especially when he knows it Copies of the *Diploma*, which gives him the title of most *Noble Doctor*, are in every Man's hand: The surreptitious Manner of Gaining it could make any other but himself silent upon that head ; but being arriv'd to a Perfection in Front races, he makes it his chief Glory.

THE RE's many a dull Doctor has paid an Hundred Pound for a Degree, and left his Mother Fastening in an Alms-House, for a less Flattering Character, with the Rent-Charge of Scarfs upon his Honour and Dignity.

*HERMODACTYL* had his very Chesp to my knowledge, except what he gave a Mercenary Physician for his Invention upon so dry a Subject: And it might have serv'd for any Twelve Quacks in Britain as properly as for himself.

TO pass over the Lustre, and Antiquity of the *Hermodactyl's*, whom every Welch Goatherd is able to distance in Point of Genealogy ; we are saluted with one of the merryest Satyrs upon the Doctor, I ver charg'd my Eyes with.

WE are told, he is form'd by Nature for great things.

NOW that any Fellow should be so vain at Fifty year, as to impose upon the *Female Sex*, and set up for such Prodigious Talents, and Incredible Performances ! I leave the World to judge, if, in the course of my Practice, I had not a better Character than he. Eating better, Drinking less, just turn'd of 5, and form'd for Love, that Paragraph should have

been

been in my Patent, but we give any Compliment each other, *Mutatis Mutandis.*

A D I E U to thy Boasted Parts, which had a Sagacity enough to discover the Banter: All th<sup>t</sup> hast left to say in thy own Defence, is, that it w<sup>t</sup> writ in *Latin*, and consequently didst not understand it.

*HIS Qualification, by all kinds of Learning, & Greater Things, open a fresh Scene of Mirr<sup>b</sup> to the Regular Physicians:* But this was a Vanity he mig<sup>t</sup> fall into, thro' the Flattery of an heavy Doctor famous for Particles and Eucliticks, who, by the help of Divination, affirm'd, that he was a perf<sup>e</sup> Master of the *Chinese Language*; and, I, Gad, I am almost convinc'd he is since that time, having w<sup>t</sup> his Bills always in such unintelligible Character that he puzzled not only the Stage, but all the Regulars.

*HIS constant employment in the Study of Stage Practice is another Compliment his Diplom<sup>m</sup>-Mong<sup>r</sup> bestows on him:* There may be some truth in the Character, if we take in all those rare Arts of Dall<sup>i</sup>ng, Mixing, Confounding, and Poysoning the Constitutions of all he was concern'd with; and the Slight of Hand which ran thro' his Practice.

*T H E various Offices he exercis'd upon the Stage is another lively Encomium upon the Doctor;* I w<sup>t</sup> belong'd to the Stage at that time, pretended to kno<sup>w</sup> how those Offices were executed: You must understand, the Doctor always kept a double Whispering Office for the *Galenists* and *Cbymists*: Over one sh<sup>t</sup> he threw his heavy Head, and roar'd out, *Bla*

MADIES : I the other, *Moderation and Compre-  
mision*, first Medicines to the several Gouists.  
remember we were all exercis'd at Cups and Balls  
twice a Day to make us perfect in Legerdemain, and  
then we shew'd a Trick well, he would burst with  
laughter, and swear it was more beneficial than all  
n Physick.

A NOTHER bright part of *Hermodadyl's Cha-  
racter in his Diploma*, is, that he held two places on  
the Stage at the same time, to all appearance Incom-  
patible, yet by his admirable Dexterity brought them  
to agree: One of these Places was Trumpeter to the  
Stage; the other Director of the Launcet, as I am  
anxiously at this present Greeting: Now I would fain  
ask, Where is the great Rarity to see a Trumpeter  
and Surgeon Consolidated? Part them, and singly,  
perhaps, they are good for nothing.

THIS conscientious *Diploma* goes on, and tells  
us, *Hermodadyl* understood the happy Secret per-  
fectly well, of Maintaining the Privileges of the  
Stage, without encroaching upon the Prerogative of  
the College.

WELL said, Doctor! Let me beseech you, Great  
Sir, to recollect how much the Privileges of the Stage  
were at your Heart, when you, by the Mediation of  
our unfortunate *Amanuensis*, was Configning us over  
to a Foreign Director; with many other pretty  
anks transacted between you and Mat. Rummel,  
our Civilly Defunct; and how careful you were of  
Encroachment, when you had the Impudence to appeal  
of the Prerogatives of the College, to justify all your  
Innovations in Practice.

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a design of Demolishing the Stage, is the  
the Jeſt.

I cannot get over the next Paragraph  
pleasant Dilation of my Muscles, when u  
of *Hermodæyl's* Clean Hands, in previ  
Plunder of the common Stage-Bank, and  
the Credit of the Stage from the Oppref  
under by former Directors.

I am entirely with the Doctor, in the fi  
this merry Paragraph; it's Literally the  
prevented the further Plunder, for a Man v  
little to do to glean after such a Rapacie  
and the Credit of the Stage must need  
hopeful way of Recovery, by the Superlati  
his Broken Fortune contributed to it.

THE languid Condition of our Stage-  
my Opinion, reliev'd much after the sam

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CONTINU'D

By Harry Gambol, Licentiate.

From Friday, August 13. to Tuesday, August 17. 1714.

Gentlemen and Ladies,

[Question whether I shall ever be able to reduce the Muscles of my Face to their former Tone, after having stretch'd them so intolerably the last Week, at the relation *Bungey of Holbourn* gave of some Passages which befell him in his late *Northern Expedition*, as he, with peculiar Arrogance, is pleas'd to dignify his Licentious Rambles:

AT his first Entrance the other Day, I was strangely surpriz'd to find the Air of his Face, which, you know, was always temper'd to a true *Bridewell Hardness*, so prodigiously alter'd: The Fellow appear'd to me under the last Dejection of Mind, his Kitchen-stuff Complection inclining somewhat to a *Fillemot*, which made me conclude, upon first Glance, he was troubled with an Overflowing of the Gall.

BUT I being no Stranger to his Incontinence, judg'd it, upon second Thoughts, to be a complicated  
Cafe.

## The High Gash

Cafe, and presently suspected the Doctor I  
Maroding in his March, and caught a *Tart*

*THESE Things*, says I, with my usual  
*will happen to you, Gentlemen of lively Fun*  
*and pamper'd Carcasses*; and to ingratia  
with the *Censors*, under my present App  
advis'd him to apply himself to a *Regular*  
in time, for fear it should go on to a *Confi*  
*For you are but a Quack, and must be con*  
*this Time, we never were very lucky in Hitt*  
*right.*

HE told me, I was out in my Conje  
that he was but Occasionally troubled  
Symptoms of that kind, and those against  
Weather, for which he had Recourse to.  
Diet-Drink of the famous *Wall's Prescrip*  
something of greater Importance ——

I foreclos'd him in his Speech, presently  
ring, this Chagrin was owing to the i  
Turn given to our Stage-Practice. *Wh*  
*Doctor, I presume the Country is a little to*  
*your Eminence: None of your Banbury-f*  
*flock'd to meet you this Journey.* He acqui  
and then proceeded to the Relation.

THIS Impostor, you must understand, ha  
Yearly about the Country, in the Time of  
to animate the Populace against the *Regul*  
*ans*, and cry up the Fallacious Methods of S  
&ice above the Certainty of the College Pref

THIS he has done very successfully  
Years past, always attended by his Body-G  
king triumphant Entries, and has someti

mented with the Formalities of *Mace* and  
I the Enormous Eloquence of a Town-Clerk.  
*G E Y* leaving his Stage to be rail'd round  
amer, to keep off the vile Approaches of all  
e Practitioners, and to mount with double  
r the ensuing Winter, began his Cavalcade  
wo Months since.

I T H E R he suspected a Decay of Affection  
ar Friends of the Rabble, or had a Mind to  
*oup d' Eclat* to his short-liv'd Impostures, I  
ll, but he took all imaginable Care to dazzle  
ators Eyes in his Progress: To this End he  
the speckled Horse of his Learned Brother  
t-Garden, and his *Black* with a Silver Col-  
ie greater Orientation, having prefer'd his  
a to be Trumpeter to the Stage in *Hol-*

Voice which waited on him to the Town's  
so faint, that you would have taken them  
ny Cries of a few Parish-Boys upon a Day  
ssion, not one deep-mouth'd Note from a  
Bone or Cleaver, or the hoarse Noise of a  
in, or Bailiff.

Doctor having baited plentifully at the first  
Young Wag of an Apothecary's Apprentice,  
o see an impudent *Quack* engross the Pra-  
he Town, took this Opportunity, just at the  
departure to besmear the Posteriors of his  
th *Turpentine*, under the Tail of him.

*G E Y* imputing the Skittishness of the Horse  
title, and Honouring his Prances, to give  
an Occasion of Commending his Horseman-  
ship

ship, at last, with a true *Cavalier Air*, throws his self into the Saddle.

THE fiery Steed not digesting the Bunn-Pelt kindly, mounts his Hinder Legs to a stupendous Height, and throws the poor Doctor forward into a Horse-Pond.

HAPPY was it for thee, unwary Boy, that the Doctor did not come to a Knowledge of thy nefarious Practices against his faithful Steed: He would have laid thee under Mortal Curses, and defy'd whole World to have taken them off.

HERE I thought the Farce had been over, but seems this was the least Part of it: The Doctor succeeded, and his Stage-Speech was but coolly received: He willing to sound the Populace on the Opinio[n] of his former Practice, and the Maxims he had insinuated Four Years past, tacks one of Jacob the Kt. of Warming-Pan's frantick Declarations to his Pack.

THOSE of Bungey's Tribe, who follow the Stage Occupation, have as many Opportunities of sinuating Things out of their proper Sphere, as Pedlers, who, under Pretence of Selling Lac-Muslin, put a pernicious Book of Aristotle, or *Nuptial Dialogues*, into their Customers Hands, & bauch their tender Minds.

WHEREVER Bungey saw an inclinable tenance, he thrust in a *Packet* and *Declaration* ther. Two or three of the Yeomen about the finding the Declaration run in an Imperial Seal, Jacob, Emperor, &c. began to recollect some Hints he had dropp'd about this Lunatick a few

*Here must be a Design, says one. This is Fato Pbyfick, says another. The Dog is a Jesuit,* third.

E among the rest taking the Alarum, and Engey very intently, —— Come down, thou exēbeat, says he; this is the Dog that ran about mtry Four Years since, with his Drum beating another Devil of Tedworth: Whatever be e to my Wife Cicily I know not, but whenever ering to caress her, she turns short, and tells n't love the Doctor: Reconcile us, says he, y Holy Mother Rome, I'll divide thee in the

E Rumour Strengthening, poor Bunney was his Pockets search'd for a Spy, and carry'd dr. Justice Freeborn.

E Justice, according to the Trust repos'd in manded an Account of his Abode, Calling, I told him, according to the Representation e appear'd to him a sturdy Vagrant, and came the Penalty of the late Act of Parliament.

E G E Y, with a strowling Impudence, disputed fdition, and told him, That his Stage was in-  
nt of his Worship's Power.

S Insolence provok'd the Justice, and Order-  
n to produce the Letters they found about ere was one in Cyphers, with C. St. George at om.

Is this St. George? says the Justice. ——  
ristopher of that Name of my Acquaintance, says

People so full in the Face as I us'd, nor swear with so good a Grace as I us'd, when I tug the Fore-Top of my Whig.

THESE forc'd Airs, I find, are generally practis'd by the Chymical Men at present; and it over-joys me to see them keep up their Countenances under all the Discouragements they meet with, nay, *I' Faith*, and go a Point further, and tell the Galenists, with a good steady Front, that the Chymical Method of Practice will be in Vogue again.

B A R this Confidence, we should be teiz'd out of our Lives, for the Galenists have got a plaguy ill-natur'd way alate of Accosting the Chymical Men with a long Sneer, and asking them, *How they do at this present Writing*: Then the exercise of the Face is very necessary to tell them, —— *Very well*, with no visible concern, whilst they are Sick at Heart.

THIS Stratagem was concerted between some of the chief Practitioners, and has had so good an effect, as to keep the ignorant Admirers of the Chymical Practice, in hopes that the Method of preparing Medicines by Fire will be continu'd.

IT's merry to observe equal Tokens of Satisfaction on the Surface of Visage amongst the Galenists and Chymists, both Sanguine in their Hopes, both Claiming the next Director of the Stage for their Friend, and Grounding their expectations upon different Prospects.

MOST of your High-German Doctors, say the Chymists, are Men of Fire, they love to torture every Thing by the Crucible, are for Searching Medicines, and won't be Prescrib'd so, being so much us'd to give

*Nostrum's*

*ostrum's of their own, and scorn to act in a Consult  
: Physicians.*

THUS they flatter themselves, and pretend to tell you, that *Miratet*, an eminent *Galenist*, will be in Disgrace, and his Method of Practice oppos'd, and that the Contingent Fees he took upon some extraordinary Cases will be examin'd into, and censur'd as Unwarrantable.

I have strove to work my self up to such a Confidence, but my Reason tells me, it's all Imaginary. I have been pretty well humbled already, being forc'd to pay my Attendance at the Doors, with my Bag under my Arm, and a Diary of my Operations, and not admitted to speak to the Regular Physicians.

If any Foreign Case is sent to the Surgery, I have not the Liberty of Opening it, but am forc'd to carry it to them, without seeing the Contents, which makes me in Bodily Fear, that many Errors in Practice will be discover'd, and I forc'd to go thro' a Steel Course by way of Attonement.

I have the Name, it's true, of being Chief Operator in Surgery, but am chiefly employ'd in holding the Porrenger, whilst another who has the Repute of Bleeding more skilfully, runs away with the Perquisites. This has retrench'd many a Journey to Greenwich, and makes me fear I shall be forc'd to shut up my *Anatomical School*.

THESE are but indifferent Presages of the Chymical Method coming into fresh Repute of the Disgrace of my proper Person. Besides, one may make a shrewd Conjecture of the Aversion People have to all Chymical Preparations, by the Fires being put out in

the *Elaboratory* for the last Forty years, and not  
Grain of Mercury dispens'd.

THE Simples of our Growth rise Daily  
Esteem, as is evident from the great Consumption  
them in the Neighbouring Markets of St. James.  
Vast Quantities of Mollifying Plasters are made  
all the Dispensaries, and the chief Directors of  
*Galenists* have acted with that damn'd Popular  
vity and Moderation in all their Prescriptions,  
I and Bunney have often curs'd them at the St  
Club, by our Midnight Goddesses.

THE Flusters I have been in at my Office, &  
an extraordinary Case has been under debate;  
*Billet-Deux* which has been mix'd with Case  
the last Importance, and my Cutting into Six;  
without Probe-Scissars are recapituled with Ag-  
itations, and plac'd in the same Light with  
Sedateness, Accuracy, and Circumspetion of the  
sent Directors, which is plaguily Malicious, and  
severe upon Honest, Rattling, Inoffensive Harry.

THE *Galenists* open way of Prescribing,  
Writing in Obvious Characters are strangely  
vying, which they oppose to our Cyphers, and Me-  
dical Practices, first introduc'd by that Tricking  
*modesty*, under the Notion of keeping the Irreg-  
Practice of the Stage from the Inspection of  
Vulgar.

THESE Circumstances contribute mightily  
the Reputation of the *Galenists*, and give the  
Superiority in the Eye of the Populace, besides  
they have gain'd by their Ardent Zeal for  
Health of the Illustrious *Hanno*, which is p-

high in the Esteem of all honest Britons, upon the Account of his Benevolence and Humanity.

THE Contemptuous Treatment of a Letter sent from that Great Family, about a very important Case, and dispatching the Messenger away with all the Marks of Infamy, are heavy Charges upon me and my Scaramouches, tho' *Hermodndyl* was in the Spiteful part of that Secret, however he has adjusted that Mistake at present.

THIS might be gloss'd over, perhaps, by the Exigency of the Times; but that Malicious Book in Folio, writ by a Club of Chymists, against *Hanno's* coming over for his Health, and patroniz'd by your Humble Servant, will go near to rise up in Judgment against the Fire-Men, and give the Preference to the Galenists in the Eye of the next Director.

THE Desertion of *Smut*, with his daily Meditations left behind him upon his Table, have administered great Jealousies of the Chymical Practice, and I don't hear the *Hue and Cry* has reach'd him yet;

— By St. Patrick.

FRANK Scammony, that Heady Quack, who mounts a Stage in the Sanctuary at Westminster, gives me but wretched Consolation: He having a Talent at Speech-Making, flatters me, if things come to Extremity, he will, in Conjunction with *Bungey*, harangue the Populace into a Belief of the Stage being Independent of the President: He owes me a Favour, having design'd him a Private Signet for Sealing the Packets:

I treated the Suggestion with Contempt, knowing them to be a Couple of Roaring Senseless Bullies

and the Artifice so Stale, that it would not find Credit hereafter with a Dull Petty-lanon: Yet for little sportive Mischief, I don't know but I may encourage them, on purpose to see their Lute-Strabbering Bibs embroider'd with rotten Turn and addled Eggs: However, I wish I was as good a Scholar as *Frank* — takes himself to be.

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CONTINUED

By Harry Gambol, Licentiate

From Friday, August 20 to Tuesday, August 24. 17

Gentlemen and Ladies,

BEING just recover'd from a slight Indisposition occasion'd by the Benignity of Olive-Colou Moll in the Hundreds of Pall-Mall; *Will Wildfire*, and I went to the Snake-Club, to drink a freshing Bottle of Burgundy. No Wit, nor happy Thought slating, but a few Condoling Yans blown over the Table to each other, we were plagu'd at a loss for some diverting Company.

At length four Scaramouches broke in upon us besmear'd with Soot, and Jong-Sleeves dangling the Grand & Frank Scrimony of Westmister, Ro-

Tay

Turn'd up by Mr. Dr. of Oxford; and to close the Lecture, Bunney of Holborn.

I resign'd my self up to Dutness that Night, from a despair of Improving by such insipid Society. However, I cover'd my Temper with a few Relicks of Court-Airs, and coolly ask'd them to take their respective Chairs.

THE first part of their Conversation turn'd upon One and Three; Three and One. I that was never Master of an Additional Sum in my Life, was so plagu'd with their Whimsical Numbers, that I was just upon the point of Breaking up, when Frank Scammony, who values himself upon sheer Banter, turn'd the Discourse; and setting up for PROLOCUTOR of the Company, Well, says he, holdt Bunney, how stand you prepared for Oaths? For the Censors of the College resolve to bind you fast against Practising in Young Jacob's Name for the future.

BUNNEY not taking the Doctor's right, By God, says he, I can swear as fast as you; and as you first taught me to Forswear my self in my Speech, I am now come to an Habit of Swearing Positively.

I was presently upon the Catch, and recollecting, that the Three Starmouches present had made the Doctor's Speech four Years past, when he was in Rebellion against the College of Regulars, I tipp'd the wink upon Bunney, and encourag'd him to throw out some of his Billingsgate Proprieties.

BUNNEY having always been a TOOL, took Fire at the Encouragement, and I being determin'd to please my Fancy in Low-Life that Night, address'd my self, with a forc'd Gravity, to the Company, and

gold isthem; I am now to ha upon the Doctor, for Perjury in a Publick Court, or once and away, did not prove him a Common Sweare.

THE Plot thicken'd, and Bungey rose with a tolerable slighte Complection after a Bumper of Burgundy, and a due Chafe of the Spirits.

' I'LL right my self; says the Doctor. — No Bottles, Dear Doctors, at one another's Heads, (says I) the weakness of your Sculls have been sufficiently prov'd already, and I beg you to make no fresh Experimenta upon the *Pia Mater*.

BUNGEY, somewhat cool'd by this Caution, sat down, and began in Imitation of Horace's low Railing between *Messus* and *Sarmenetus*, in his Fifth Satyr of his First Book.

' THOU Insolent Upstart, says Bungey; by St. Bridges that first gave thee skimm'd Milk, I'll expose thee: You have a damn'd squeamish Eye: A naked Boy on a Sign Post offends your Opticks, but I am satisfy'd that you and I, in Concert, have not been shock'd at the Sight of the Mount of *Kurus*.

' BUT how, in the Name of my Tutelar Angel *Asmodæus*, could you mistake a Bee-Hive for Jacob's Well? You are bit, Doctor, and the People in Westmister think you don't know a Looking-Glass from a Close-Stool-Pan.

SCAMMONY, with all the Correct Impudence of Twenty Years Stage-Practice was not present to himself upon this Occasion, but was forc'd to make use of the same Expression Coptic return'd to *Hermodæus*,

modestly,  
always bated you, but I despise you.

BUNGEY having Laid his Side, & Swelling his Vein & Rail, in late Bumper; 'Pray, I . . . , how is your Sense of Smell late? They , that the Scent of a Devil in a Sign gives your Offactory Nerves uneasiness: You and I have been often very facetious at the Dunghill-Tavern. How comes your Spleen to swell at the Posture of a poor Fellow, making a Natural Discharge in Imagery?

AT this, Robin Tartar of Greys Inn interpos'd, and told Bungey, such Language was not to be given to one of a Superior Order in the Stage.

I that have been so fam'd for the Propagation of Mischief, could not restrain my self upon this Occasion, and, by a private Hint, slips Bungey upon Tartar.

BUNGEY, having lately went out ad Eundem in Cambridge, had made it his Business to trace out all the Scandal in a certain University, and amongst the Memoirs he had Collected, was very prompt upon this Incident:

'YOU, Tartar, says he, have dress'd a Widow's Bride for some Years, and at last, have swallow'd the Pea.. Come, — I don't know but this Wine is as good as any you have met with at the Three Tuns at Cambridge.'

ROBIN Recollecting his Juvenile Prolicks, and what a Jest he had made of himself, readily took the Allusion, and making a Pause, had only this poor

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ply to succour his Want of Presence. In Tongue  
is no Slander, we have been even with you in the  
Speech we composed for you.

*BUNGEY* was inordinately fired at this Discou' very, and would have blurted out something that might have given further light to the wicked Complot between them; which little Trapstick' role just so the height of giving a Glyptic, Nay, Doctor, says he, I must blame you now.

" AVANT, little Mary, says Bungay, you  
ought to take your Master's Poor Rights by Wrong;  
I hit'd you first for little Flourishes, and now you'll  
pretend to make Formal Speeches amongst us  
Wits! Bungay grew drunk; talk'd wild and stam-  
mer'd in his Speech; and just having an Articulate  
Sound left, blattered out, — By the Apotropaical Au-  
thority committed to me by Clement the Xth, I  
enjoy this Silence. A Chair for the Doctor: And  
so we parted.

and the other two were in the same condition as the first.

PROBLEMS FOR THE TEACHING OF MATHEMATICS

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The High-German Doctor. N<sup>o</sup>. 34.

CONTINUED

By Harry Gambol, Licentiate.

From Tuesday, August 24: to Friday, August 27. 1714.

Gentlemen and Ladies,

BEING Hourly in Expectation of a New President of the College, who is determin'd to purge out all the Abuses which have crept into Stage-Practice, thro' the Corruption of the Times, I have been Weighing my late Conduct in the nicest Scales I could purchase, and Scanning my past Life with great Accuracy, to be made sensible of the Errors I may be particularly charg'd with.

WHEN we come upon our Examination before the Censors, Hermodactyl shall not answer for the Trespasses of Gambol, nor Gambol for the Crying Sins of Hermodactyl; neither will Codicil be able, with all his Sophistry, to remove the Charge of *Mala Praxis* from himself, and load us Two with it. It was, in short, a *Triple League* of Mischief, and since we could not agree to *Poison in Concert*, every one must make the best Shift he can for himself.

I have been so confus'd late in my Thoughts,

that I could only think by Intervals; and the Surgery being under a Check, I have not been able to come at all the Papers and Cafes, which may be both of Use and Difservice to my Cause.

HOWEVER, having preserv'd my Diary, amidst the Ruins of our Stage, I was so curious to look it over the other Day, for more exact Information, but could not gain any considerable Light from thence: Being under no manner of Apprehensions of seeing this Turn in Practice, I had not digested my Papers so Methodically as I could have wish'd, and find the History of many remarkable Cases wanting:

THERE are many Ludicrous Hints in every Page, which us'd to revive the Images of past Pleasure, and often make me very happy with a Fair Lady at a Distance.

IN the first three or four Leaves, I find Recorded such Momentous Cases as these following, after the Laudable Method of my Friend Smut, in his *Deliloquies*.

BLED a young Wench of Seventeen in the Median Vein, at a Corporation of Love in Great Rider-Street, with a Bold Pulse, Velvet Skin, and Pouting Lip. Return'd back of my Fees, 1*l.*.—1*s.*.—6*d.*

DIFFO, Impos'd on by a Doctress that Day, who recommended a young Nymph to me, who had been too busy with Rockfort's Pomatum. My Labour being small, I gave it gratis.

PAID for dividing a very Sensible and Curious Membrane in the *Via Infernali*, by the Interest of a Lady Governess near the Green-Dragon, St. James's,

263. — e. Lost my C another Day, by not being able to go thro' with an Operation in *Leicester-Fields*. Overcharg'd by a Bottle extraordinary. Compromis'd Matters with a large Fee.

M.A.N *Will* and I went Halves in an Operation; the Part Schirrous; Launcets blunted; the Patient in a Swoon; Cold Water for the Girl; a Bumper of Generosity for *Will* and self: Both p. sses'd, judg'd Incapable.

GOT a Thorn in my Foot by Running Naked; broke my Man's Head; for not Introducing a she Patient precisely at Seven; and then gave him a Plaister.

LOOKING further, I found something of more Importance: A Journey to *Paris*, upon *Hermodadyl's* Persuasion, to improve my Hand in Amputations, under *French Surgeons* in the *Royal Hospital*: To learn likewise a Dexterous way of Cupping and Blistering the Good People of *Britain*, without a Groan from the Patient.

FURTHER, to Ratify a Private Contract made between *Hermodadyl*, Me, and *Roselle* the *French Surgeon*, for the Use and Benefit of a Patient that shall be nameless.

SETTLED an Exchange of *French Tartar* for Ready Money *Englifh*.

TRY'D on a Pair of Wooden Shooes; pinch'd me damnable, and gave me a Corn: To be lin'd in *England*, for the more Ease at first drawing on.

KISS'D Prince *Prettyman's* Hand in *Le Grand Petit's* Closet; —— Made a wretched Blunders in

ity first Adm' | promised h in my Ser-  
vices.

W A S jostled out of the Box at an Opera that Night to make way for him; — Lay with a Marchioness the same Night, in Recompence for the Affront, by the powerful Interest of Madam Seasonia.

C A M E back Hot, and Heady: Somewhat Cool slate; — more Temperate every Day; — the Bad Effects of it Melancholly, and Self-Reflection:

R E S O L V ' D once to break all the *Regular Physicians*, to set up *Stage-Practice* in Opposition to the dull Rules of Art; to change some of my *Opératrices*, and put in Men of more Sanguine Complexions in their Room.

M E M O R A N D U M ; Frank Scammony to Seat the Private Packets. Allowance to him out of the Contingents of the Stage, to provide six *Scaramouches* in constant Attendance, to run about with *Wild-Fire* in their Mouths, crying out, *The Stage is in Danger.*

S I X more Supporters to these in *Black Liveries*, with great Cables on their Heads to be dispers'd *pro rata*, to Inferior Stages of the Town at 12 d. per Diem, with two or three Set Harangues, with a Remnant of *Latin* to confound themselves and the Crowd; and proper Gestures assign'd them, by *Don Scrombola of Bettyshanger*, Master of the Ceremonies, and Guide to the *Raw Slips*.

T Q call Names Loudly, and without Meaning.

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**T**O p. Scammony against the most Regular Phy-  
sician at L. etb, for Opposing him in his Quackery,  
and Exposing his false Glottes about the Stage's  
Independency of the President, and Censors of the  
College.

A N eminent Physician at Serum to be Burlesqu'd,  
for having kept Bungey's Relations from Starving,  
for that Popular way of giving his Medicines Gratis  
to the Poor, and diligent Application to the true  
Dignity of his Profession.

**N. B. T H A T** Bright Witticism to be reviv'd  
amongst the Inferior Scaramouches, of the Sanctify'd  
use of Cambrick, and the Prophane Intendant of  
Scotch Cloath. — **A Cameronian Doctor.** — That  
has a good Sound.

**T**H E Indefeazable and Unalienable Right of  
Stage Practice deduc'd from the High Era, and long  
Antiquity of 112 Years, to be oppos'd to that of  
1500, which the Regular Physicians boast of.

**T**H E whole Stage Corporation absolutely enjoin'd  
never to Reason with any of the Regulars: Found  
of no use in Practice: *Probatum est.*

**M**ANY other curious Remarks are lost by wear-  
ing in my Pocket, and the violent Exercise of my  
Body, and some pick'd out when I have fallen  
into bad Company: Many a Vellum-Case is an Ad-  
vertisement.

**T**H ESE are sufficient to satisfy you, that I have  
always mix'd the Serious with the Loose parts of  
Life; and that I have an Enterprizing Brain, but  
plaguy short in Execution.

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THERE are not, I t , th : culpable  
in these Memoirs, and I hope, after Dacing the  
slack Rope so long, there are none of you so ciuel to  
wifh poor Harry was Stretching it.

I have a *Diary* of *Hermiodayl's* in my Custody,  
which I think to publish in a little time ; I would  
not have him think me a *Plagiary* for so doing, he  
having printed so many Copies and Schemes of others,  
in which he had no Hand.

THERE is a great deal of it in Coptick Cha-  
racters, as the Learned tell me, but I shall fish out  
enough to let the World see I am a merry wicked  
Fellow, and be a whining One.

IT begins with an extempore Prayer in Form. If  
I don't speak proper, it is because my Conversation  
has not lain much that Way.

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# The High-German Doctor. № 35.

CONTINU'D

By Harry Gambol, Licentiate.

From Friday, August 27. to Tuesday, August 31. 1714.

Gentlemen and Ladies,

**T**HE Apprehensions I daily lye under from the Censors of the College, are very often reliev'd by some merry Incidents. I have feasted an whole Week upon a merry Tale that was told me of Bungay.

GIVE the Dog his due, tho' he is Proverbially dull, he furnishes great variety of Matter for the Curious; there is something so Emphatically Ridiculous in the Fellow, above all Mankind, that he seems to be sent by Providence as a Purge for Melancholy.

I love him for nothing but his inimitable Wick-edness. He has a pure unrelenting Conscience, and Zeal for Mischief, joyn'd to those Masterly Qualifications of Arrogance and Impotence.

HIS Company is insipid to the last Degree. The Stiffness which attends his aiming at being Arch, without Wit, gives me the Strangury. He is Lewd to an Inch, and no more; Profane, without a

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Gloss; Meanly Insolent, without the Sense of Pride; Vain with the Shreds of Popularity; a Flatus of Style, without Sense or Propriety; and so well vers'd in the Becoming Manner of Dress, that you would think his Upper Part always in Masquerade; with a fair Peruke, and Lead-Colour Complexion.

YET this vile Slave receives a noble Income from his Stage, the Poor Animals of his Audience contributing largely to the Packets of Charcoal and Brimstone.

BUT the Inquietude this empty Tool labours under from such an unmerited Fortune, is the sportive part of the wild Scene, which brings a Story flush to my Memory.

BE it known to you therefore, that Bunney's Stage lies in the *Fens of Holbourn*, at the Foot of that famous Hill which receives a Knot of honest Fellows Monthly from a Neighbouring College above it.

WHETHER Bunney dislik'd the Situation, as having too near a Resemblance with *Holland*, and affected the *Highlands*, out of Love to a Pretender in *Physick*, that has a great Interest there, and his Beloved Minion, I shall not determine; but the Fellow, it seems, had a Worm fretting in his Brain a few Weeks since, and swore, He would transplant his Stage.

BY Old Ely, says he, I'll remove: And immediately fell to Ripping his Wainscot, and taking down all the History Painting of his Tumults at the Head of the Banditti Four Years past, and order'd the Workmen.

Workmen to proceed no further in Railing his Stage, and setting up a large Crucifix at the East End of it.

WHILST this Fit of Lunacy was upon him, he bespeaks Ten Ells of Lawn, and a Square Cap, and getting into a Room of Glass Pannels, where he us'd to dally with a Nymph stark-naked, for the Heightning his decay'd Fancy, surveys the Grotesque Figure of his dear self.

THE Soliloquy was very pleasant, as the Trumpeter of the Stage inform'd me.

'A H, Bungey, says he, thou Coriphee of Quack-  
' ery, how Amiable doest thou appear in this Me-  
' tamerphosis? How artfully do these Robes of Light  
' cover thy inward Deformity, and give an Inno-  
' cence to thy harden'd Complection? O thou Spe-  
' cious Cheat! Dear Lucifer permit me to strengthen  
' thy Kingdom, and out-do thee in thy Realms be-  
' low. With that he began to exercise his Faculty,  
and Spying a Block in one Corner of the Room,  
which us'd to adjust his Peruke, and give every  
languid Hair a flowing Curl, he claps his Hand  
upon the Embellishing Machine, and crys out, *I  
bless thee!*

AT this juncture an Honest Turn-Cock of the New-River-Water comes in, to discourse him about laying in a Pipe to supply him with Store of Water: The Doctor being of the Seed of the Circumcision, and delighting much in Purifications, after frequent Bodily Defilements.

FROM this Moment, says Bungey, I put a Stop  
to thy Work in this Low Quarter of the Town; you  
must lay me a Pipe over the way, for I design

*to remove my Stage, so the Great Gate upon the Hill.*

THE poor Fellow astonish'd at the Order, began to think him a little possest'd. *Methinks, Doctor,* says he, *you are well Situated, and you cannot change far a better Air: And Six Hundred Pounds per Annum is no contemptible Thing.*

*THOU little Creeping, Servile, Inglorious Water-Rat, (says the Doctor) dost thou measure thy humble Wilches by the Standard of my elevated Soul? I tell thee, there is not a Doctor in England deserves it better.*

THEN the poor Fellow was fully appriz'd of his Vanity, and being a dry Wag, told him, He fancy'd his Honour and Glory had not rightly consider'd his Personal Incapacity. *For they tell me, says he, that the Spot you have pitch'd on is Consecrated Ground, and there is a Statute in Force against you Strollers, forbidding you to come within the Verge of a Sanctuary.*

*BUNGEY* foam'd just with the same Rage as he did in his Stage-Speech at St. Paul's; and Anathematiz'd the poor Fellow, in the Name of Francis Spira.

‘ BY Santa Jugunda, the Tutelar Saint of the Immortal Catalans, (says the Turn-Cock) I insult upon my Liberty; and thou hast no more Power to Curse me than I have to Dub thee a Saint. But good Words, *Bungey.*

‘ I would not have you so Hot upon Removing your Stage, before you are satisfy'd of the Firmness of the Tenure you hold at present, I am told, you are but in a tottering Condition.

‘ I T’s Montagio’s Ground that your Stage is  
‘ Built on, you have no Lease but what Codicil drew,  
‘ and he is none of Montagio’s or his Friend’s At-  
‘ torney, and when that Right comes to be try’d  
‘ before the Censors, what will become of your  
‘ Usurpation ?

‘ Y O U have been reckon’d Lunatick by them  
‘ already, a Tool at the third Hand, and an Impostor  
‘ by all Mankind, and such a Revenue is not to be  
‘ lavish’d upon so much Ignorance and Impudence,  
‘ when honest Half-pay Officers are Starving.

‘ R E T R E N C H, you Varlet, from two Bottles  
‘ to a Pint, says the honest Water-Rat, and from a  
‘ Scarf Maker in Cannon-Street, to an humble  
‘ Whore in Moor-Fields : No more Turkeys and  
‘ Chines, or Plump Sucking Pigs, which the Vulgar  
‘ us’d to offer for your Poyslonous Pills and Bolus’s.

‘ Y O U a Doctor, you a Cofermonger, I am a  
‘ better Physician than you : How much Calomel do  
‘ you put in a Dose for a Simple Gonorrhœa ? How  
‘ many Drops of Capivy ? I have been in for it as  
‘ often as you. Responde, Dignissime Doctor.

B U N G E Y over-talented by the Assurance of the Turn-Cock, was at a Pause, but recollecting the Impudence he show’d when he was Try’d before the Censors, let fly a String of Epithets, which made the poor Fellow think he was Raising the Devil. ‘ Jack,  
‘ call my Apparitor ; I’ll put the Dog into the Spi-  
‘ ritual Court for Defamation, and Arraigning the  
‘ Honour and Dignity of my Vices. Don’t you know,  
‘ Sirrah, (says he) that Black compounds for all Im-  
‘ moralities ; and even a Small-Coal-Man, for Weak-

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\* ing that Colotv; has Partial Favours shown him  
from our Court of no Conscience.

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By Harry Gambl, Licentiate.

From Tuesday, August 31. to Friday, Septem. 3. 1754.

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Gentlemen and Ladies,

I Never was in a worse Humour for making Speeches these Four Years, than I am at present; the florid Periods applauded by the Men, and the tender Things which us'd to pierce the Ears, and make their Way into the Ladies Hearts, have left me on a sudden; that Rakish Sprightliness which cover'd many a Neglect is chang'd into a guilty Dejection of Countenance; I am become a perfect *Caput Mortuum*, a heavy lump of Clay, scarce to be Animated by Burgundy.

YET I must say something for my self at my Departure; it vexes me that I am oblig'd to Copy after the worst Pattern in the Universe: *Herwodagyl's* Farewel Speech has laid me under a necessity of taking my Leave in Form, tho' I ought, in good Husbandry,

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to have reserv'd what I had to say to the World; for  
my Final Exit, which my Propitious Stars tell me is  
not far off.

I have nothing that prevents me from my Mind  
*Ecclesiastes*; my Prompter, *David*, is ready; I have a  
good mind to take up the Laudable Custom of our  
*Schrambishes*, add Speechify by Notes; but that will  
look like some Fore-Thought, and disgrace my Ready  
Wit, and Presence of Mind.

YOU will grant I have but small Encouragement  
to appear in Publick at this Juncture; and tho' I  
have been a Comical Fellow, in the Course of my  
Practice, I have just Cause for Mourning at this  
Juncture, without the Assistance either of *Black*, or  
*Weepers*.

THERE are none of you Strangers to my Dis-  
grace. The Interdict laid on my Practice this Week,  
By the *Regular Physician*, and the Solemn Execution  
of it, under the Seal of the Great President of the  
College, has Mortify'd my Ambition to the last De-  
gree.

IF I might have been allow'd so keep up the Stage-  
Practice 'till the President and *Regular Physician* had  
met, it would have mitigated the Censures of the  
World. But to have my Box of Instruments seal'd  
up, my Launcets taken from me, and all the Cases  
relating to Surgery secur'd, for a Day of Examina-  
tion before the Censors, carry an Ait of Suspicion  
along with them, and makes my Audience believe  
now, That I never had no more Skill than a Country  
Barber, with much less Honesty.

THE Blow, I must confess, was less Surprising,  
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having liv'd in continual A is of it the last Month; so that my Case s re bled one in a Lingring Distemper, perceiving a Daily Waste in his Constitution, and feeling all the Symptoms of his Approaching End, in much Bodily Fear, without one real Token of Contrition.

HOWEVER I think the Intervals which favour'd my Admission into the Surgery, have not been misemploy'd for my Safety. The Titles were kept in pretty good Order, by the Industry of our Menials, so that I could turn to most Cases which fell to my Share in Practice. You may be sure I was compassionate enough to clear the File of some Encumbrances, and give less trouble to the *Regular Physicians*, in Perusing such a variety of Cases.

THERE was a Flaming one in Front, concerted between *Precipitate*, the *Irish Operator*, and my self, for Reviving the Use of *Wild-Irish Durks*, and *French Razors* in our Operations of Surgery: It cannot be imagin'd of what singular Use they are in cutting off Excrencencies which are fed by stubborn Humours, and run over the Body Licentiously. But I believe that Method of Practice would have been sufficiently damn'd by the *Regulars*, and we ree kon'd a Couple of Refin'd Butchers: But that Charge, thanks to my Stars, is funk.

NEXT, a *Practical System of Phyfick*, for Refreshing a Youth, troubled with a Megrim, in Foreign Parts; with the Salary paid for his Board, out of the Contingents of the Stage, the last Four Years.

SOME Cases relating to *Hans Skipper*, a Dutchman, about his Fullness of Blood, with a Resolution

to bleed him frequently, and so reduce him to an *Astrophy*.

TO heal up all the Wounds of *Le Grand Petit*, and close them so artfully, that the Scars may not be seen.

LIKEWISE, a Project for Consolidating the French *Lilly* and our English *Saffron* into a *Pill*, with an Ingredient from Spain and Sicily, for Curing an Epidemical Disease in the *North*; and strong *Antipathies* against the French Practice in the *Low Countries*.

THESE Cases, some *Whimsical*, some *Criminal*, have escap'd the Eye of the *Regulars* as yet, unless *Hermodactyl*, to screen himself, has reserv'd Copies of them.

SOME few, I am afraid, stand yet upon Record, which give me some Pain, but those must be charg'd upon my *Zanies*, as *Hermodactyl* did a Poysonous Dispensation upon his *Stoker*.

MY two chief *Zanies* are Heady and Obstinate to a Wish: They have been examin'd already by a grave Physician, of a tall and commanding Aspect, and stand their Ground. I take *Hermodactyl's* Method of confirming their Stubbornness, assuring them that I have Interest, even at the last Extremity, to bring them off clear. They seem to relish my Advice agreeably enough at present, and I hope they may be brought to do Penance for me, between Heaven and Earth. I had once a Thought of making a Computation; and plac'd my dull Hopes in that powerful Oratory, but I dread the clean Hands of the *Regular Practitioners*.

B U T leaving the Issue of these heavy Charges to kind Chance, I am to thank you, Gentlemen and Ladies, for the large Indulgencies you have granted me in the Course of Practice.

THO' I set out raw, you never charg'd me with Insufficiency, I have prick'd some of you thrice in a Place, by way of Experiment, and you never shrink'd under the Lance.

M Y Boldness has been suited to the Ferment of your Blood these Four Years. You have all been affected like People of Calentures, who fancy the Sea a green Meadow, and court their Destruction by an eager Plunge into the deep.

U N D E R this deception of sight, our Scaramouches in Black have attracted your Love and Veneration. Under these false Colours, most of us have plaid the Solemn Cheat, and I the Wanton.

T O your good Graces, Fair Ladies, I owe my Supreme Interest in the Stage, tho' subordinate to *Hermodadyl*, and hope I have answer'd the tender Idæa's you conceiv'd of me.

N E V E R were so much Gaiety, and Amorous Frolics, mix'd with the Solemn Business of Life. I transplanted my Office to *Somerset-House*, where you have undergone many an Operation in *Masquerade*. The Physick I administered, will stick by you for many Years, but you must not complain.

T H E Favours I have receiv'd at your Hands, have been faithfully repaid. If any Fair One charges me with Ingratitude, it's possible she will be of another Mind the first Searching Weather.

I had Thought of adding some new Decorations to the Stage at Greenwich, and making every Lawn a fresh Scene of Love; but I am prevented from Cultivating the Arts of Humanity, and improving the Talents I am bless'd with.

T H E Fears I am under at present, contract my Nerves, and make me unfit for show, I fancy sometimes I have given the Ladies my extream Unctiou. Your Prayers are desired for Harry Gambo in his Extremity.

*FRANK Scammony*, with a true Enthusiaſtſick Vehemence, resolves to ſucceed me next Stage-Day. He Swears he is doubly Gifted; and will knock People about the Head with his Keys, if they will not submit to his Prescriptions without Reſerve.

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CONTINU'D

By *Will Bromingham, Student in  
Physick and Astrology.*

From Friday, Septem. 3. to Tuesday, Septem. 7. 1714.

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

**HARRY GAMBOLE'S** Disgrace, which he, with a true Stage Impudence, softens by the Name of *Abdication*, joyn'd to the approaching Dissolution of *Council*, has struck the Operators of our Stage with such a Pannick Fear, that I began to be in pain for the Audience this Day, and thought we should have been forc'd to bury our Stage at Midnight.

**FRANK Scammony**, on whom we rely'd, has broke thro' his *Ronā Fide*, and tells us, He thinks his *Tenure* is a little firmer than ours, and therefore will not put it to the Hazard, by Appearing upon such a Ruinous Stage.

I am not much concern'd at the Disappointment, for his Periods were always study'd; he was never us'd to an Extempore Speech; even *Bungey's Hattangue* was a Collective Tax upon all the Top Scaramouchees

*mouches* Sense of this Great City. He never talk'd without Notes; and an unforeseen Incident would have almost put him to the Blush.

BUT I that have been us'd to Speechify among the *Censors*, am rilen to an Habit of Talking Polish'd Improprieties, which go glibly down amongst the insensible Majority.

I am perfectly Master of his conceald Reasons, and know that Excuse to be only a Blind. His Coach was Blazon'd too high for an Operator: The Devices upon it were too pompous for the Stage, or the humble Notions of a Speckled, or Dapple Palfrey, that he would have been taken for a Lunatick, to appear in that Vehicle; and the poor Animal was too vain to make his Entry without it.

HIS Crest was a Faggot in Flame-Colour, with a Double-Tipp'd Ornament upon it; the Quarterings, were a Seal half struck, with Young *Jacob* in Busto; a Wax Taper in the other; a Rosary, and a String of Beads, all in a Field Gules.

THE Supporters were Two *Scaramouches* in Black, in imitation of a Disgrac'd *Harlequin's* Brace of Angels; the Feet representing *Satyrs*, with very long Tails.

I leave you to judge of this Fantaslick Imagery, it's what I never saw in my Travels; and the World says, I have been lavish enough in Remarking Ridiculous Punctualities.

THE Stage, I assure you, was sunk to so low an Ebb, that even *Bungey*, the Remnant of Sense and Good Manners, was apply'd to upon *Harry's* disgrace, but being inform'd that the Fellow had been so mea

as to recommend Moderate Doses in a late *Stage Speech*, we would not trust such a Trifling Fellow with a Cause which requir'd a False Spirit, and a Tenacious Adherence to the Chymical Method against the Victorious Advance of *Regular Practice*.

THE Province is now left to me, with malignant Stars Hanging over my Head, but it is a Necessity for a Struggle at this Time: You know my Avow'd Principles; but to do the Service, I am forc'd to go under the Smear of *Occasional Conformist* to the *Regulars* at present.

I have siz'd my own Talents, and know my self capable of going thro' all the Finesse requir'd in *Stage*: I have a taking Look for Busines, for Heaviness work'd up to a Pertness, when I find this Occasion for a Laugh upon the Run of an Argument against me.

I deal well enough with *Quacks*, upon a Deb't Having kept a *Stage* at *Oxford*, you must allow me to have scrap'd up some Gleanings of Logick, especially the Terms of *Barbara Calarunt*, which have been necessary to my *Stage* the last Year.

I have often attempted to prove a *Galen* Mouse, after the pert Way of our fresh Men's putting a Man a Horse; but my Mediums are always unlucky; *Polemius* dissects me at every Turn, ventures to say, I have little Sense with a large *of Brains*.

THE *Sca'amouches* in Black are to answer every Defect in my *Elocution* and *Practice*: I told me, Headiness without Thought would carry my Fortunes, with a Majority on my side,

could, by false Oratory, prevail upon the Rabble to believe the *Regular Physicians* & *bismaticks* in Practice.

*POLEMIUS* caught me in an insupportable Lye at the last Consult. I found my self gravell'd, and look'd round for Supporters. The *Scaramouches* had told me, That any false Assertion, advanc'd for the Honour and Dignity of the Stage, was no more than an Officious Lye, and so contented with their Caſtivity, I tann'd a little, sat down, and play'd my *Muscles* somewhat Sheepishly.

C A N you believe me without diffidence ; I have been a Tool to the *Scaramouches* in *Black*, and am almost become their Enemy in point of Interest. Whenever I offer'd them good Clean Port, the Knaves have always cry'd out for *French Claret*, and *Connick Brandy*.

IT'S impossible to satiate those voracious Stomachs with the Growth of a single Farm : I have been forc'd to anticipate my Rents for the empty Noise of being a Protector of *Stage-Practice*.

THUS a great Man pays dearly for an empty Name, but having no other way of Establishing it, I am forc'd to bear the Impertinence of those prevailing Coxcombs, rather than not make a Figure, tho' somewhat of the Clumsiest : They have got my Soul, and so they think they have a right to my Body.

I can easily fill up a Gap in Conversation, when they are dull, only by fetching a grave Sigh, and telling them, The Stage is in Danger. I then have Leisure to recollect my self, and save my Provender, by slipping them upon so agreeable a Subject.

T H E Y tell me, they have a Proposal in to present the *President* of the College upon Arrival, to conciliate his Friendship, and shew Necessity of Entertaining some Scouts in Boston to strengthen his Practice.

I cannot give into these weak Expectancies. The *President* knows them to a Man: I am mark'd to have Ten Thousand Stains upon them, with the dismal Colours they appear in are never conceal'd: Their Numbers are their only Boast. Colony to *Virginia* for Planting and Proprietary, I fear, soon lessen their Arithmetick.

P A M P E R'D Chins for Quacks, I see seem to be too great a Waste upon the Soil, the *Regular Physicians* of the same Colour who travel thro' the World, and starve with honest cation. You see I am upon the Point of Recantation. My League with Brother *Harry* was but just merc'd when the Stage was Tottering.

N. B. F R A N K Scammony's Coach is Sold: Enquire at the White Hart in Roche Street, from thence, come back to Westminster you shall know further in Dean's-Yard.

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### CONTINU'D

By *Will Birmingham, Student in Physick and Astrology.*

*From Tuesday, Sept. 7. to Friday, Sept. 10. 1714.*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

THE Stage being threaten'd with the sudden Arrival of the President of the College, I grow every Hour doubly Officious, and begin to Mouth the Inviolable Attach I have to his Person tolerably well, and I believe with much the same Sincerity as *Hermodiayl* spoke it, after he had given young *Jacob* all possible assurance of his Recovery.

I have been Practising upon my Face these five Weeks past, to work the Muscles up to a good plausible *Brunswick* Air. You must understand, *Mum* was always plaguily offensive to my Palate, and so a Grimace or two at first, is very pardonable in a Practitioner.

AFTER I had rack'd my Brain some time for a proper Model of Look, by the Advice of some *Scaramouches* in Black, I resolv'd to borrow a true *Englisb* Complexion, such as the famous University of

*Oxford* wore in *Eighty Eight*, when they laid their *Mabometan Phiz* of *Eighty Three*.

THIS we are resolv'd on to a Man, and Moderation in Practice, that we may not exact the *Regular Physicians*. Nay, the Scaramouche set Fire to some of the Dispensaries Four Years have got a Brace of Buckets in their Hands, to quench any Flame that may happen, provis that they may have the chief Hand in the Administration of the College.

AS I shall have a very difficult Task upon me to keep my Countenance from betraying the still Passion for Young Jacob, it must be equally painful those who have been putting their Faces under same Discipline for some Time. After I have paid graceless Devoirs, I shall have the Pleasure of several of our worthy Stage Friends pay their respects to the President, with a Medal of Reddits in Pockets to a Pretender in Physick.

IF I could prevail upon Bunney to be at the head of the Scaramouches that Day to break the Water, with his Pioneering Impudence, we of the Order of Corinth might maintain our artificial with a tolerable good Grace.

AS this Farce works, so we shall conform Judgments; we have laid it once with some Success, and gave sufficient Uneasiness to the President William, after we had gain'd his Confidence; neither he, or his Censors, enjoyed one

of the 24 Dispensaries during a twelve Years Dispensary.

they will not allow us what Privileges we demand, and suffer us to poysen under their Nose.

THE illustrious President, they say, has taken sufficient Warning from the good-natur'd Lapses of the former, and will expect a Prescription should be follow'd, without pleading Excuses, so it be exactly according to the Rules of the *Dispensary*: Former Indulgencies having been prov'd by the Regulars to be pernicious.

IF this Method is taken, we may only thank our selves: *Bungey*, in every Quack-Bill he writ, or Stage-Speech he deliver'd; instead of Ordering Physick to be taken with a due Conduct as the Regulars prescribe, he, with a Pedantick Vehemence, cries out, *Let this Pill be taken with wholesome Severities.*

THOSE Quacks who pretend to make a Merit of their forward Services, I doubt will find themselves strangely mistaken; it's well, I am told, if they have Admittance; but to pretend to share in the Privileges of the College is downright Lunacy.

THE President knows his Title is firmer than any of his Predecessors, he is not to be allur'd by vain Promises, or terrify'd by false Cries, tho' we have a pretty numerous, and a very clamorous Body of People.

HIS Judgment, Distinction, and Resolution concur to make him the Greatest Man alive in his Station, to obviate any Distempers which are Invading the Constitution, or, if confirm'd, to eradicate them by proper Applications.

THOSE who fancy there will be a Necessity of showing some Countenance to us Stage-Practitioners,

have not much consider'd the Steadiness of his Conduct ; and the Marks of Distinction he has honour'd the present *Regent Censors* with, who are, almost to a Man, made up of Regular Physicians, leave no Room to doubt of the Byass of his Inclinations.

UPON a Reform of the Stage, I think my self a little better Circumstantiated than my Brethren : If my Launcet is taken out of my Hand, all the World knows I am a great Traveller, and consequent'y a great Historian ; and as I am a perfect Master of all Preparations in Physick, I have had it upon my Mind, some Time, to present the President of the College with an History of *Shell-Grinding*, together with the noble Art and Mystery of making *Black-Cherry-Water*, being the genuine Works of *Will Bromingham*, Student in Physick and Astrology, Historiographer, and a Great Speaker.

I know the Time that such a pompous Title in the Front Page, without much Matter in the Book, would have gone down smoothly with some of my *Oxford* Readers ; but the Regular Physicians are such prying Criticks, that they expect to find something in every Page to the Purpose, which, in my humble Opinion, is not the Busines of an Author. If I had writ in that Way, I should nor, at this Time, have been comforted with the whole Impression of my Travels, under my own proper Custody.

BY this means, I am able to restore the Commonwealth of Learning out of my own Study, if there should be any Symptoms of Decay ; besides several Manuscripts of mine in Physick, almost equal to my Travels,

Travels, which are deposited in that Registry of Sciences, the Bodleian Library.

I am almost of Opinion sometimes, that I should have been thought no wiser than other Practitioners, if I had not kept a Stage at Oxford: There is something in the sound of that Name, which strikes the Imagination with Awe; and if a Quack has but Conduct enough to support the Impression the World takes of such an Education, either by profound Nods, or positive Assertions; by formal Harangues, without any Interruption given, or Calling every Thing which makes against our Stage-Practice, by some hard Terms which generally have no Meaning where they are apply'd, as *Antimo* — *Repub* — *Hereso*, &c. that Fellow, depend upon it, shall have the Hum of the Crowd.

THESE, and the like Stratagems, are easily learn'd, and are of good Use in Human Life; these have supported the false Grandeur, empty Chicane, and dry Pedantry of the Scaramouches, and command a Deference from those who are weak enough to be taken with the Mechanical Operations of some Gestures, Tones, and Manners, further succour'd by a Flaxen Whig, a languishing Look, a glossy Scarf, and the Heavenly Sparkle of a Brilliant.

I never had a larger Opportunity of improving my weighty Talents than at this Juncture, for I sit all Day in my Surgery without the least Interruption; every Fellow that us'd formerly to trust his Neck in our Hands, grows shy of us alate, and pertly asks, *What Vein we design to prick him in? And how many*.

*Diseas.*

Onces we propose to take from him? None of He  
modastyl's Purges; ——— cry the Men. Nor  
of Gambol's Launcet; ——— say the Women. I  
am forc'd to make use of a blunter Point. Such  
wonderful Influence has the Skill and Care of the  
Censors had on the weak People of Great Britain  
a Month's Time.

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### 'The High-German Doctor. N° 3

C O N T I N U D

By *Will Bromingham*, Student in  
*Physick and Astrology.*

*From Friday, Sept. 10, to Tuesday, Sept. 14. 1714*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

A S weak as the World represents me, yet affu  
your selves, I have Judgment to know when  
am sneer'd: Nay, I am so sensible a Creature as  
guess from a Whisper what lies at your Heart.  
There is a Coolness runs thro' my Audience ala  
but one Remove from Disdain; and some have been  
so frank to let me know, I appear much below *Har  
Gambol's* Spirit and Brightness. This I place  
the Levity of your Tempers: We are both of  
Wits, but our Manner is different; I am a Sol  
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**Wit:** *Harry* a Mercurial One: My Wit generally comes off very Dry, and makes the Fellows at Oxford Laugh inordinately: *Harry's* goes off smart, and with a jerk, which I own, is more adapted to a Female Audience.

I T's true, I was never Fin'd for a Jest; *Harry* has Paid many a Hundred Pound for his Waggery; and upon that Score, I presume, may claim the Precedence; but a Murrain take the Stage, and all its Adherents, for Mounting me in this Capacity; *Men of Publick Characters, who show often, I find, are soon discover'd.*

' I thought the Vein of Fooling had run very low with my Audience, having been trick'd so often out of their Money and Senses: I fancy'd likewise that a solemn Air would be a sort of decent Epilogue to our Legerdemain: But I find we must play the Fool till we are Hang'd; or Damn'd if we don't play the Fool.

I am convinc'd, at last; there are more things requisite to engage an Audience, than being a Traveller, or an Oxford Man: There is a Sublimity of Caper, and a Prancing Gate peculiar to the Stage, which my Tutor, poor dull *Recluse!* Never heard of; and for want of that Embelishment, I am reckon'd somewhat Flat.

I T's own'd, *Harry* entertain'd the Audience very agreeably; His Vivacity without Learning attracted all the Country Squires who came up to see Tricks; and the Influence of his Thimble and Balls was very powerful over the Fair Sex.

*HERMODACTYL* himself would never  
been so Great a Master of *Stage-Practice*, if  
*Gambol* had not turn'd *Posture-Master* so of  
Midnight; and by shewing the Motion of hi-  
cles, taught that Tricking Quack the Facil  
Riggle his Body, and Twisting his Eyes  
ways at once, when he promis'd any Man a F-  
besides that Swimming Grace in his Whiſper  
Hundred People at once, that their Cure sho-  
very speedy, and they might depend upon it.

I well remember, when we kept an *O&obe*:  
I was thought a very pretty Fellow of a  
*Andrew*; I generally sat at the Head of the  
and, Faith, was heard with Attention enoug;  
I say it: But then my discourse turn'd ge-  
upon Travels. It would have given you a La-  
Forty Days to have seen si : of your *Weft C*.

Flattery, as the large Encomiums given him for the wonderful Fraught of Knowledge he brings Home. Nay, I'll swear, I have been almost put to the Blush with the Complements pass'd on me for my Home Observations.

A T Chatbam, I discover'd a Ship lay there with three Masts: They were by no means Equal: The Mizen by much shorter of the other Two. Three-Guns Honey-Comb'd upon the Plat-form, and the Swivel of a Pateros somewhat Rusty. For these, which, I must confess, are not the nicest Indagations, I was threaten'd with a Tack to my Name of F. R. S.

B E I N G made so considerable, by the good Opinion of my Friends, I thought it beneath me to give into the Arch-Way, till I saw Harry one time pull off his Trowsers upon the Stage, and shake them over the Young Wench's Heads, which rais'd a louder Hum than ever Terra-Filius receiv'd at Oxford.

I attempted that Frolicksome Gesture when I found it pleas'd; but Fumbling a little in my Operation, I left the Province entirely to Harry, and his Second Will Wild-Fire.

W H A T has set me lower than Harry in the Esteem of the World, I believe is, my being look'd upon only as Curate to him in the Surgery, so that all my Essays towards Wit and Humour, are reckon'd but servile Imitations of that wanton Original.

T H I S has gall'd me to the Reins, having always valu'd my self upon a fertile Invention; and for Perspicuity, Volubility, and peculiar Phrases, I <sup>re</sup>commence

comind my Patients to the Speech I made to *Hermodactyl* upon his Recovery from the Handle of a Penknife.

YOU may go on to blame my Flatness, but must in Charity excuse my Defects, when I tell you that most of our Operators have fled the Stage.

*HARRY* has retir'd with the most specifick Air you ever met with; you all know his Sedateness, his Inclination to Solitude, his vast Application to the Secrets of Nature.

THE perfect knowledge you have of his good Qualities, leaves no room for surprize, when I tell you, that making a Visit the other Day to *Roselle* the French Operator in these parts, and deplored the strange Vicissitude of Affairs, he accosts him with a Pensive Air; *I am come, Dear Brother, to take my Farewel of you, and the World.*

AFTER the Fatigue of Publick Busines, and many hazardous experiments for the Purchase of Renown, I am determin'd to follow the Example of all Great Practitioners, and retreat to some distant Villa for improving my Speculations.

*ROSELLA* smoaking the Necessity of *Gambol's* Retirement, reply'd with the same affected Sincerity, *You do well Harry. — Your Temper is admirably well fitted for a Philosopher.*

IN this Distress I lay claim to Fity; especially when you know my chief supply of matter comes from *Atty Brogue*, who, in all the Intervals he can borrow from getting his Neck-Verse by Heart, dribbles out an *Irish Witticism*, with a *Lilly Bullero Chorus*:

*HERMODACTYL*

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HERMODACTYL is too upon fitting  
out a Boat, and Ballasting it with South-Sea  
Pigs, for me to expect any relief from that  
Quarter.

CODICIL is busy in Sealing up his last  
Packet.

FRANK Scammony is half Lunatick, and roars  
out continually the Supremacy of the Stage; the  
singular Use of Gunpowder in malignant Cases;  
*Smithfield Operations*; and a Word very much in  
use amongst the Laplanders, call'd *Scbism*; where  
to apply I know not: *Affit me, thou dear Genie!*  
Planet Saturn.

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The High-German Doctor. № 40.

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By *Will Birmingham, Student in  
Physick and Astrology.*

From Tuesday, Sept. 14. to Friday, Sept. 17. 1714.

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

THE saving Regard *Harry Gambol* had to his proper Person, in taking several Prescriptions off from the File, has robb'd the World of many excellent Manuscripts, which would have afforded great Light to several obscure Characters of Stage-Practice.

THIS Loss might have been in some Measure repair'd, if *Hermodaffy's Diary* had came entirely to my Hands. The transcendent Beauties of that Author, are very much Eclips'd by his Writing in short Hand, and the Scantiness of the Margin: But there is enough left to make his Memory dear to us, and our Posterity: For I talk of him as a Man not long for this World.

HIS Life is rang'd into several Classes.

HIS State of Nature. His State of Grace. His Pro-

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*Progression in Goodness. His Fall. His Apostacy.  
His Hardness of Heart. And Practice of Physick.*

HIS State of Nature seems to have taken up a large space of so invaluable a Life : Under that Head I find strong Corruptions, frequent Importunities from *Satan* to rob Orchards, to demolish Poultry, and suck Eggs, to buy a Pole-Cat, and knock him on the Head in the Hen-Roost, to take off any Suspicion from himself.

CARNALITY very Encroaching ; consider'd twofold, either with one of the *Sister-hood*, or an *Alien*. Both determin'd with much Compassion. Benevolence to a Sister, call'd *Building up of the Saints* : To an Alien, term'd *an Essay towards the Conversion of a Sinner by the Half-Blood*. Sav'd the Blankets of Abomination, my pious Sire had doom'd to the Flames.

BREACHES of Faith I find very Numerous in this State, and blooming Mischief. Resolv'd never to keep a Servant that gives direct Answers to any Question, that does not carry two Countenances, and shuffle in his Gate, with a small Sprinkle of Whining.

THE Sabbath generally ill-spent. A great Constraint upon me, when invited to joyn with the Assembly : Narrowly watch'd the Sand in the Hour-Glass. Intervals of Thought employ'd on the Dairy-Maid. Short Notes painful to me ; a Cock or a Bull very often put in the room of them. Repetition too long-winded.

UNDER the State of Grace, I find Herefordshire Cyder dearer for Four Years running, than it us'd to

to be, the Consequences of that —— Abstaining from the Expences of Evil. Sober for a whole Week —— Not one Temptation worth going to the Devil for. —— Aaking Head, and a qualm of Stomach, true Signs of Contrition. Not employ'd, a Token of Abstinence, Meditating Mischief with a double Face, confirm'd Marks of Election.

HIS Progression in Goodness is very remarkable: Under the Mortification of losing my Credit in Practice, very pensive; retrench'd one Course at my Table; kept my Chamber to avoid the Importunity of Duns, great Compunction: Proclaim'd a Fast when I could not be trusted; revil'd by the Poulterer, Butcher, Herb-Woman, and Book-binder. — My Mind too full to pray. — Sigh'd much. — More Husbandry in throwing off those Exercises by the Spirit. Went backward every Day in my Fortune. Forward in Grace; Poverty a great Step to Repentance.

A full Conviction, when a Coach and Horses is to be sold for a Pennyworth. My Harness very often ty'd with Pack-Thread; great Sign of Humiliation.

NOT one Gleam of Comfort from this World, the Wicked prosper for Five Years together; my Mind rais'd much above the Hopes of all Carnal Preferments; Cross or Pile for Spiritual — a Chance on my Side. The Lines of Grace strong in my Face, those Reprobate ones of Burgundy having left me thro' many Conflicts, between the Desires of the Inward Man, and the Necessities of the Outward.

HIS Fall from Grace is dated on the 27th of March, 1710; Bungey, an excellent Tool, perform'd impudently well, carry'd beyond Expectation, made some People

People of Distinction cry, Urinals being scarce.  
Their Grief my Joy, from that moment.

THE Apprehensions of a Fleet Pennance declin-  
ing, wax'd strong; a wide Gap in my Conscience left  
open for *Satan* to enter in at. My Credit restor'd,  
those sham Tokens of Penitence cashier'd. Grew  
worse and worse every Day. Clean Linnen and Change  
of Apparel in Enmity, with the Purity of the *Inward  
Man*. *Memento mori* being worn out of my Brains,  
*Virtue & Fide* substituted in the room: *Anglice*,  
*Desperate Enterprizes*, and *Confidence to second them*.  
*AqualSin* supplying the Place of *Original*. The World  
debauch'd. Loath to be out of Fashion.

HIS *Apophacy*, I find, commences the Day he took  
up the *Divining Wand*. Never to prescribe with  
Certainty: Regular Practice a sham. *Masquerade* is  
the best Dress for an eminent Practitioner. Principle  
suns very Low. He that will buy will sell. The *Stage-  
Cheat* a good Succour to the Needy. A Coach and  
six the best Formula in Phyfick. Resolv'd to bring all  
Regular Practice into Contempt by the Irregularity  
of my *Scaramouches*. *Acheronta movebo*, my new  
*Motto*.

I am mightily entertain'd with the Regularity of  
his Wickedness, there is a sequel of ill Practice at-  
tends the several Stages of his Life, as if he had  
made a Digestion of all the bad Qualities, which are  
necessary to form a consummate Knave.

THERE seems to be a *Difference* of the Success  
of his Practice with an Obdurate Conscience, when I  
find him resolving under the Topick of Hardness of  
Heart, never to relent, tho' he should mount a Stage

on Tower-Hill: Resolv'd, continues he, first to feel the Censors. *Le Grand Petit's* Present to be artfully distributed. Twelve of them at my Devotion, very greedy, and a Plaguy Rent-Charge upon the Stage-Cheſt. If I fail in that Point, all the Errors in Practice to be laid on *Codicil, Harry, and Mat. Rummer*. *Bungey* to comfort them in their last Extremities, by Hanging in Concord. *Holbeurn* to be pav'd for the Cavalcade, with a pitch'd Coat upon *Bungey*, adorn'd with *Croſſes* and *Flower de Lys's*, as an *Herald at Arms*. Drums beating a Dead March, with the Benefit of extream Unction, if desired, and Auricular Confession from *Don Strombolo*, or *Trapſick*, in a Cart. If I could gain a Respite from Justice, to see my Confederates handsomely plaid off, I did not much care if I took a Three Years Airing upon *London-Bridge*.

TO fide with the Poyſoning Race of Quacks, and give faint Assurances to the *Regulars*, that the Constitution shall not be injur'd, whilst I am plying the People with *Aſenick*.

UNDER the Practice of Physick, Resolv'd never to carry one Face to my Patients, but in all its changes CLOUDY. To feel their Pulses, in order to Bleed them. To bring the Constitution very low, that all the Peccant Humours may the more easily be master'd. To pick their Pockets of Fees, and make a fresh *Diftemper* of their Purſes. To hear all their Complaints with a well-conducted Indolence.

TO keep my Patients in hand Three Years; but bble them with the boasted Virtue of my Pacifick Electuary,

Electuary; leave them worse than I found them ; and buoy them up with hopes that it will answer at last, when the Constitution is ruin'd.

*N. B. MAT.* Rummer to sell *Le Grand Petit* a Pennyworth of *British Drugs*; or if he does not like those of our Growth, to give him the Choice of sending his own hither, with an Obligation under the Hand and Seal of *Codicil* to pay him Four times the Value in Ready Money.

TO keep my *Zany Daniel* in Half Pay; to propose several Schemes of Practice to the World, before they are ripe for Dispensation : His Stile and mine being so equal, that the World shan't be able to distinguish the *Doctor* from his *Zany*.

*ITEM,* To hire some Mercenary Quacks to write against the Expediency of the *Illustrious Hannō's* Coming-Over, and by a private Letter of Advice, flatter him with the Sincerity of my Intentions, and the Necessity of changing his Native Air for this Climate, when it is not in my Power to prevent him.

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By Will. Birmingham, Student  
Physick and Astrology.

From Friday, Sept. 17. to Tuesday, Sept. 21. 171

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Gentlemen and Ladies;

THE Illustrious President of the College arrived at Greenwich last Saturday, I edg'd with a Curiosity peculiar to Travellers, made the Tour of Kent on Sunday, a Day consecrated to Travels amongst Itinerants of the Stage.

PARDON me, if I cannot forbear giving Sublimity of a Tour, to a March from Kent-Str to Greenwich; we Travellers have always been low'd a Pompous Manner of expressing mean thin without that, we should differ very little from Person who sleeps Six Miles in a Coach and Six.

YOU will readily grant I had little Busit with the President, and consequently my M more at large for the Contemplation of the Curiosities which presented themselves in View.

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THERE is a noble Colony of Broom-Men in Kent-street, intermix'd with Hatters of various Textures: Some confine themselves chiefly to the Felt-Trade; others deal in Coney-Skins, with a very small Mixture of Beaver: Their Houses are built with great Symmetry, the Lower Rooms have all of them Vista's; the State-Room above, mounted either by a Rope or Wooden Ladder.

THE Road from thence to Deptford partly Clay and partly Gravel; abundance of Cold Baths in the High-Way, which thro' the Ignorance of the Inhabitants, serve for no other use than Watering Horses; a thick Blewish Slime upon the Top of them, which betokens a Mineral, Vitriol, or Lead Ore.

AS I always take my Calculation of the Grandeur of a Place from the Number of the Inhabitants, so by the vast Concourse of People I saw there, I look upon Greenwich to be the Metropolis of Kent.

Canterbury and Rochester, I have been told, were Cities of Renown in former Days: Canterbury a famous Sea-Port, and Rochester an Inland Town; but the Port of Greenwich has gain'd upon them to a miracle within these few Days.

RAMSTEAD's House upon the Hill is certainly built on the Ruins of a Roman Arch: That which remains is only a Watch-Tower. A Chanel under-ground crosses the Thames to the Isle-of-Dogs.

THE Hospital there is a noble Pile, purely Antique: There is a great deal of the Dorique Order in the Pilasters, and the Dome. The Painting on the Roof of the great Hall seems to resemble the masterly Hand

THE Refectory under the great Hall, is certainly an old Catacomb. The Niches in the Wall, our Tutelar Saints *Guy Fawz*, and Gun-Powder ~~not~~ stood formerly, are prophan'd into Casement-holes.

THE House where the President lodg'd was formerly a Royal Palace, but lately dedicated to Uses by Father G. with a large Discount out of *Invalids Bread to Mendicant Priests*.

THESE, you'll say, are Cursory Observations what will serve to fill up a Gap in History, when a Pen of more Leisure shall attempt to give us a Natural and Political Survey of that County.

MY Observations being once finish'd, I was solicitous in my Enquiries after the Brothers of Stage.

*HARRY* Gambol's House, I found, was to be an Hatchment over the Door, with a Motto, *In Quies*, happily adapted, as I thought, to his present Circumstances, for he must expect no Peace on Earth.

NOT one *Phyllis*, or a *Chloe*, in their Forms: All Hunting *Matches* prohibited since First of August. The Dogs call'd off. A new Sport of *Wolf-Hunting* very shortly. A Lurcher now and then steals in privately by the Park-Door.

*HARRY*, it seems, has retir'd to the *Bath*, the Restauration of the *Regular Physicians*; and forc'd to take *Physick* against Nature: Those phurious Waters may be proper at this time, if

sense, to go his Body for a Course of Brimstone hereafter.

BUT I heartily pity the Young Fellow for being in a Plot against his own Constitution: I look upon that Mineral to be a little too searching for the present Crisis of his Bod. Methinks its a little too hard upon Harry, to have two Plots break out at a time, one against the Regular Physicians, and the other against his own dear Person.

TONSENIUS, that eminent Galenist, being last Week appointed by the Great President to look over the Prescriptions upon his File, will soon unravel the Errors of Harry's Four Years Practice, and make a sudden Report of his Industry in filling up the Weekly Bills of Mortality.

I have, thanks to my Stars, been only a sort of Dr. Bibulus, for the time I was in the Surgery I sent away the Packets to Mat. Rummel, just as they were directed by Harry. I can't deny that I wish'd well to Jacob's Recovery, but my Phlegm somewhat cool'd my Vigour in the executive part of my Dispensations.

THE last Man I expected to meet at Greenwich, was Hermiodactyl: The Flaming Instance of his Assurance are all distanc'd by this single Act of Insolence. I knew he had planted his Chair some time since at the Door of the President's chief Agent, and Sneak'd into a Chocolate-House, to make the World believe he was in private Conversation with him all that time.

THESE were Airs, I suppos'd, which would never have ripen'd into such a confirm'd Impudence:

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But now I find he exceeds the Front of all  
Sister, that has done Penance seven times  
White Sheet.

HOW can he look the President in the Face? That expression I ask Pardon for, he never has been guilty of one direct Look in his whole time. But how can he come into the presence of that Great Man, after he has trampled upon never to be forgotten Memorial of Phyfick, which the President recommended to the People of Great Britain, in order to preserve their Constitutions from the French Disease, whilst Hermodotyl was poising them with his *Pacifick Electuary*?

HOW can his Knees keep a proper Distance from each other in the Sight of the President's Gallant Son, when by little Tricks and Artifices he kept him from being admitted into the College of Regular Physicians?

HOW can he with wither'd Looks, and a faded Bloom, appear in the Sight of the noble Mirat, after having sent him to the Spa by Violence, and robb'd us of all those wholesome Prescriptions dispense'd to the People, with such a true English Spirit?

I know his poor Subterfuge: He loudly proclaims the Headiness of Gambol, Codicil, and the Master making Doctress, Poplin; and boasts of his Preventive Phyfick. If Right takes place, he is more criminal than those bold Homicides. He first poisek the Constitution: Work'd the Malignity into Blood and Spirits by his Electuary, and when present Phy-

Physick was going to be admitt'd, he order'd a Ceſſation of thoſe Medicines which would have carry'd off the Malignity.

FROM whence we date all our Complaints, and matter'd State of Health; and to ſay he dropp'd his Poſonous Course, when the Body was Emaciated, and just brought to Death's Door, is telling us, He only wept out of the Chamber to avoid the Melancholly Sight of ſeeing us Die, when he had put us beyond hopes of Recovery.

TO a Miracle, the People of Great Britain muſt, in the firſt place, owe their Deliverance; and next, to the ſeafonable Arrival of the Great President.

THEY begin to look back with Horrour upon the Sores and Blotches brought upon their Conſtitutions by the Irregular Practice of thofe Pretenders; and we truſt the Stains will be wash'd out with ſome gentle Bleedings of thofe Homicides.

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CONTINUED

By Will, Birmingham, Student in  
Pbyfick and Astrology.

From Tuesday, Sept. 21. to Friday, Sept. 24. 1714.

Gentlemen and Ladies,

I Am sensible it is not the most becoming Gesture  
of a Stage-Practitioner to be making Complaints  
especially when there are so very few left to sympathize with our Infirmities; but, in naked Truth, I  
protest to you, I am Sick at Heart, and almost des-  
pair of Mounting to the Satisfaction of my Audience  
this Day.

I was seiz'd last Monday at Greenwich with a  
unusual Fit, I found it growing upon me Three  
Quarters past six on Saturday Evening: The first  
Symptoms were a Swimming in my Head, a violet  
Palpitation of Heart, and a Trembling in my Joynts  
attended with an acute Pain on the Side of my Neck  
where the Paddington Operator generally plants his  
Knot in the Noose.

THE last Symptoms affected me more sensibl  
ly of the former, God send that it is not Omi-  
nous

ness, cries I, in that Agony, full of Bodily Fear, and bedew'd with cold Sweats.

I trace a Distemper with great Accuracy, tho' I cannot talk over-pertinently to the Case, and believe it to be owing in some Measure to a sudden Concussion of the Spirits, which were thrown into that disorder from the unexpected Firings of the Guns, and the loud Applauses of the People at the Great President's first setting his Foot on Shore.

THE Open and Hearty Reception of the Charming *Mirabel*, by the Mysterious *President* at his Landing, added something to the Malady: From that Moment, I dated the Overthrow of *Stage-Practice*, and the growing Reputation of the *Regular Physicians*.

YOU will readily believe that Night wore heavily, frequent Spasms and Convulsions; and my Nurse tells me, I tumbled and toss'd too and fro in my Bed: The Starts attended with violent Howlings.

AT Midnight I order'd a Light to be brought, and took up the *Guide to Eternity*, hoping to find some Consolation there, every Page shock'd me, and I was not present to my self: In all such Distresses we naturally fly to worse: I sent for *Bungay* at that unseasonable Hour, knowing he would not press too hard upon a poor Sinner; my Man found him at the *Cross-Keys* and *Pope's-Head Tavern* Nodding, with one of his Hanging-Sleeves sleeping in a *Chamber Conveniency*. He comforted me in an instant; *Ah! W.I.L.L.*, says he, *bast thou liv'd under our Wing so long, and afraid to depart?* *Take only a Leap in the Dark*

*Dark, and I'll warrant the good Footing at the End  
of thy Journey.*

FORTIFY'D with the Good Doctor's Absolution, I grew a little more compos'd, and slept tolerably well for a Man in my Circumstances; but the Disease kept hankering upon me, till I heard the Salvo's from the Tower on Monday, then it return'd upon me to such a Degree, that I could not help making some wry Faces, and ever since perceive my self Wasting inwardly.

I had once Thoughts of Applying my self to a Regular Phyfician, but then I consider'd none of them care to be concern'd with a Quack, and so am resolv'd to puzzle my Way thro' the Distemper after my own Method.

SOME of my Friends tell me, it's a Fever up-on the Spirits, and advise me to drink *Aff's Milk*; I do not altogether despise that Invention, having often thought there is some Analogy between my Blood, and that of an *Aff*, for I well remember I suck'd an *Aff* when I was first put into *Latin*.

I find this Distemper of mine Epidemical. All the *Chymical Men* have been siez'd just in the same manner; and to the very Second of a Minute, the Fit always returning Periodically at the discharge of the Great Guns and Small Arms.

IT is the most ill-natur'd Distemper that ever afflict'd Mankind: Any one, without the Help of Spectacles, might have read the Pain of Mind and Body in our Countenances; and to be plain, we all look as if we had been taking Physick that Day.

I,           ich difficulty, escap'd an Hisse from the Galenist.

Galenists, having constraint'd my Muscles into a *Degagee Air*, during the Solemnity of the President's Entry. We had all prepar'd our Bottles of *Sal Volatile*, by Combination, the Night before, in Cases of extremity. At every *Huaza*, of *Long live the PRESIDENT*, I perceiv'd the Fumes flew up into the Brain with unusual Violence, even to a Suffocation: We who had *White Gloves* on, wanted nothing but a *Nose-Gay* to give the Resemblance of an *Exit*.

WHAT pain'd us most was, That we could not conceal our distresses from the Ladies. Whenever we lifted the *Chrystral* to our Noses, the Galenical Females, dress'd out with all the Triumphs of Art, with Free Airs, and Killing Eyes, railly'd us as we pass'd; —— Alas! Poor Gentlemen, they have robb'd us of our Propriety, and have got the Vapours. You must know the Handsome Women of Great Britain are entirely in the Galenical Interest; that Free Principle in the Souls of them sparkles in their Behaviour, and adds wonderful Charms to the other Attractions of their Persons.

SUNDARIA is a lively Proof of this Power over the Souls of the Spectators: Her very Enemies are forc'd to be her Admirers; and whilst they are discharging their Noisy Passions against the Benevolence and Humanity of Mirabel, secretly adore him in the Divine Image of his fair Progeny.

ALL the Comfort we receiv'd in the Parade, was from two or three lamentable Countenances in a Balcony thinly spread, with Hoods Lowring over their Faces; and Bungey's Remarkable large Patch

on their Foreheads, a useful Cover for some Scars they had contracted by a free Conversation at the *Lady Abbesses* in *Sherard, Berwick, and Rider-Streets*.

UPON the whole, it must be allow'd the Regular Physicians had much the Advantage of us in the Air of their Countenance: You might read sincere Joy at Heart, and a Serenity without Affectation, as if all their Labour'd Wishes had been compleated in the Fruition of that Happy Day.

THERE is a Cloudiness belongs to our Clan of Quacks that I cannot account for, and which is very hard to disguise: In Prosperity we Rage in Tumultuous Mirth, and are a sort of *Morris-Dancers*, which makes all sober People shun us, whilst the Regular Physicians maintain an Evenness of Temper, and display a Complacency of Soul in all their Actions of Life.

THE Superiority of their Behaviour, joyn'd to a thinking Faculty, to which most of us are Strangers, has distanc'd us in the Eye of the President, and works strongly upon his Imagination in their Favour, especially when he considers, that in the most Trying Conjunctures, and when the Stage was at the most domineering Height, they look'd upon his Prescriptions as Sacred, and asserted his Undoubted Right to the Chair of the College.

BUT to return; I could not forbear giving way to a Smile, under all the Acuteness of Pain, to see so many Quacks amongst the Venerable Censors of the College, and Regular Physicians. I must own we were a very Motley Sight, and I have been thinking since,

since we

Fell in

with

our Ranks, as so many

Wretches

in

the

cunning manner of laying

Plans

planted some loose

Vagabonds

and Scaramou-

ches in Black to His

Beloved Mirabel.

But we

lost our Aim two Ways:

The Indignity was so

foolishly Manag'd,

that they expos'd

themselves to

the last degree of Contempt;

for the strong Accla-

mations of his Friends

drowned the faint Clamours of

our Smoke-Club;

and the steady deportment of Mirabel

was the most spiteful Revenge that Great Man

could think of.

T H E Incidents, you must imagine, in so long a

Procession to be various, and something remarkable,

from such a Collection of Humours: In the Strand,

my Eyes very merrily Feasted.

SOME Arch Ways of the Galenists had, in

Imitation of Burning the Pope on Queen Elizabeth's

Day, hung out Bunney in Effigies, as the Martyr of

that day, in Commemoration of the mannerly expres-

sions he had frequently vented against the present

Illustrious President of the College.

A the Disciple, who had the Charge of rubbing

Bunney's Back with a Double-Clour, after the Fatigue

of a Stage Speech, seeing Bunney Petit ty'd up to a

Tenter-Hook, could not forget the Gratitude he

ow'd to the warm Flesh and Blood of the Original,

and falling down, Reverently, before the Image,

beg'd it to show a particular token of its displeasure

against thofe Profaners of that dear Saint he repre-

sented.

BUNNEY Petit hung as cleverly as His Prince-

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pal is likely to do very shortly, till the Population, di-  
vided betwixt the Idolatry of the poor old Disciple,  
and a Resentment work'd up by a *Perr Scaramouch*  
in Black, from a Neighbouring Stage, who had been  
*Pimp to Bungey, Gisborg'd the Stabaker Baby with*  
*a Valley of Stoops.*

*N. B. HAVING* slipp'd thro' a Plank of my  
Stage last Wednesday, and broken a Vessel; I shall  
not be able to Mount any more, so shall leave the  
Desperate Catastrophe to *Atty Brogue*, who is for-  
ing himself against next Tuesday to speak English, if  
he lives so long.

## The High-German Doctor. N° 43.

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By *Atty Brogue, Phyfick-Broker.*

From Friday, Sept. 24. to Tuesday, Sept. 28. 1714.

Gentlemen and Ladies,

**I**T must be allow'd, that we Brothers of the Stage  
are the cleverest Projectors in Nature, to set forth  
at first with *Welch Insufficiency*, and conclude our  
Practice with *Lisp Impudence*.

OUR People have quitted so abruptly a late, thin-

as

no Man has had Time to prepare himself for the Audience : I have gone but half Way thro' the English Grammar, and am pitch'd upon for an Orator in the most trying Exigencies of the Stage.

I was prick'd down by a Cabal of broken Quacks and Scaramouches, without my Privity, and a short Letter sent me on Saturday Night by Will Birmingham. *For Charity sake, dear Atty, mount next Tuesday, you have heard of my Misfortune ; you are the soundest Man of our Retinue, your Irish Dialect will do with a good English Prompter.*

IT would be a vain Attempt to conceal our Distresses any longer from the Publick. If Despair was not visibly impress'd on our Countenances, you would conclude from the many new Faces we have mounted alate, That there is a great Mortality amongst the Operators of the Stage.

IT's true we have been pretty artful in Disguising the Distempers our Practitioners have dy'd of, and given in different Symptoms to the Searchers of the Stage; *Hermodaffyl*, we put amongst the Chisoms of the Week, as being never baptiz'd; *Harry Gambol*, amongst the Agues, as having gone off with a trembling Fit; and *Will Birmingham*, amongst the Casualties of the Week, having slipp'd thro' a Plank of the Stage.

WHILE we were Burying our Dead, we fitly gave out, The Great President was in the Interest of the Stage ; being resolv'd to die hard, like Confederate Higb-Way-Men, who seldom squeak at the Gallows. But we have been somewhat check'd in our

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lable Maxim in  
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Illustrious Honle to  
College, do Justice to  
and fear none but the

Almighty.

THIS Coming from a Person who never Deter-  
mines but from a full Perswasion of the Justice of  
that Cause he espouses, has produc'd a violent Suffo-  
cation of the Spirits amongst the Leaders of the Stage,  
thrown several into Epilepsies, and I have swoon'd a-  
way six Times in a Morning.

I should certainly have went off in one of these  
Fits, if I had not been reserv'd for a more solemn Ex-  
ist. I am plaguily afflicted at Home, they burn Fea-  
thers under my Nose, and would smoak me out of  
the World, but that has fail'd.

I little thought of Mounting in this Capacity,  
when I was first retain'd as Hermodæyl's Physick-  
Broker: But I find few Competitors for any Prefer-  
ment in the Stage-Gift; and, without much Flattery,  
believe mine an upenvy'd Province.

BROMING H.A.M's Head lay so much to Trav-  
els, that I have few Materials left me to work up  
on in Physick. The four Specificks of Practice, as I  
find them minuted down in his Diary, are to roar  
out the Threadbare Cry of the Stage's Danger, till  
we are knock'd down by the Audience. Never to  
trouble ourselves with the Preparations of any Me-  
dicines; but take them implicitly from Roselle, the  
French Surgeon; and our own ~~Scaramouches~~ in Con-  
cert. To calumniate the Great President by fly Infor-  
mations.

tions. And to use Roman Virtue in all our Dressings, whilst the Regular Physicians apply their healing Balsams.

IF, by these Amusements, and irrational Practice, we can deceive the Populace so far as to gain the Admission of some Leading Quacks into the College of Regulars, we hope yet to make a Stand, or at least embarrass the Rational Practice to such a Degree, that the poor Patient shall not be able to know where to place his chiefest Confidence.

SPIRITED with this Scheme, I have been tempted to mount, tho' I begg'd & might have the Liberty of Haranguing in a Masque, upon the Score of some very unpromising Lines in my Contention:

I was over-sail'd, when they talk'd, I had as honest and as handsome a Phiz as Hermoday's ; and then having a Faculty of Rubbing my Eyes often when they don't itch, I conceal some Defects, as Hermoday did with his Ground-Look.

ONE Thing, I was told, they could depend on, of my never being put to the blush, of having a large Fund of Irish Jests, which would please the Rabble, and never Blemishing my Stage-Speeches with a Word of Truth.

ALL this I am Conscious to, but being under the Lash of the Censors, I fear I shall be forc'd to draw in some Stock which is the Growth of my Country.

M Y private Sentiments, I own, will not permit me to think I am equal to this Work, after Hermoday's and the rest of our Operators have lost their Feeding. There are several reputable Callings I have been bred to, which seem more adapted to my

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## The High-German Doctor. No 44.

By *Atty Brogue, Physick-Broker.*

From Tuesday, Sept. 28. to Friday, October 1. 1714.

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Gentlemen and Ladies,

BY my Shop Trade stands very low at the Dispensary: For the last Week I have Sold but half as much of Irish Slat to Will Birmingham, for the Benefit he gets in his Fall from the Stage; but being concerned in the Plasterers, and by that means having an Opportunity of Smuggling a few Drugs out of the Seath-Sea Dispensary, I make a shift to support my self.

BUNGEY now and then steps in for a little Maffick, to dry up a Defluxion of Rheum, contracted, as he says, by lying rough in a Saw-Pit without a Night-Cap, the Wench being so uncharitable as not to throw her Apron over his Head, but I know it is to relieve some Qualms which rise from his Stomach, ever since that memorable Defeat of his Impudence last Week in the Great President's Apartment.

YOU must know, I constantly size Bungay's Impudence.

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*College.*

I foresee the approaching dissolution of Impudence  
thro' Great Britain, in the tender Skin of poor Buz-  
sey. I once rever'd that inflexible Countenance, but  
having perceiv'd a Gleam of self Consciousness  
break thro' that harden'd Buff Case, I begin to  
think Modesty will come in Fashion, and conse-  
quently an end of *Stage Practice*.

I deplore the loss of so valuable a Twin-Brother  
of mine, with regard to my own Character: I shall  
have the whole Load of his Perfections rest on me  
now, which Buzsey and I us'd to share very amica-  
bly. Whenever any thing monstrously Impudent  
and Ignorant was to be Illustrated, the Galenists us'd  
to Quote Buzsey and me by Turns; but a Plague on  
his desecration, I must now answer for all in *Propria  
Personae*.

I have an excellent Second in Ireland, if the Justice  
of the Kingdom does not overtake him: You are  
fully acquainted with the Character of *Precipitate*  
the Irish Operator; the Populace impatiently wait  
for a Dissection of his Body; and it must be a nar-  
row Escape if he files off clear.

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Defect of his small Talents with enlargements upon  
*Tom's*.

BUT I spare your Ears, what is looked upon as  
Orthodox Advice in them, would be an Indecency  
from my Chaster Lips.

YOU will pardon me, I am sorry for Introduc-  
ing a Foreign Cäse into my Weekly Bills: These  
are many Malignant Distempers of the Growth of  
*Ireland*, which bear an exact Analogy to those of  
this Climate, which will convince you that the  
Plague has been Epidemical for Four Years past.

AS I have settled a Correspondence with all  
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the County Goals there, I shall have the best Intelligence of all desperate Cases which happen in that Kingdom ; and tho' I am no great Conjurer, yet if any Person has lost a Watch or a Pocket Book, I shall over-reach the Stars by my acquaintance with the Principal *Thief-Catchers* there, of which Family I own my self an Unworthy Branch.

*N. B.* A large Spaniel, call'd *Bungey*, having been his'd out of St. James's-Court last Week, and never heard of since, if any Person finds him, he is desi'd to carry him to the Beadle of St. Andrew's, and he shall be rewarded proportionably to his Trouble : He has a short Snout, a Fillemot Complection, Barks very Loud, without Biti<sup>g</sup>, and carries his Tail very much between his Legs alate.

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Sure the President is too hasty in his Regulations. Si  
sudden a Rout in Stage-Practice must needs give Of  
fence. Our Friends remov'd. We have, generally  
Speaking, good Lungs, and must not be disoblige  
The Lady's Woman is always on our Side, and supplies  
us with Gellies.

AMONGST this Venerable Tribe of Medica  
sters, a poor Scaramouch starts up, and tells them, That  
as he was but an under Operator to a Stage, his In  
come short, and his Friends out of Favour, he must fall  
upon the old Cry of the Stage being in Danger under  
the Regular Physicians. You see, my Brethren, says  
he, holding up his Robe, this is but Crape, vile sat  
ter'd Crape; you know that Crape hangs lank upon  
the Posterior of us Scaramouches, whilſt the full Plait  
in a Brunello, or Broad-Cloth, give a Grace to our  
Brazen. I am for'e'd to wear Shabsi on my Neck, Cheats  
on my Wife, not so much as a Brilliant on my little  
Finger, to dazzle the Eyes of my Female Audience  
whilſt I am Reading the languishing Cases of the Week.  
I'Gad, I expect a better Equipage, a Bottie extraor  
dinary every Night, a first Floor in an airy Part of  
the Town, little Duty, Pluralities, and a Nameless a  
Night.

IF I cannot be furnish'd with these Moral Necessa  
ries,

ties, I am satisfy'd you will agree with me, the Stage  
is in eminent Danger:

YOU are living Witnesses how we fir'd the Rabble  
with this False Cry Four Years past: I appeal to you,  
whether you were not forc'd to bite your Lips to  
restrain a Laugh, when we topp'd this Banner upon  
the Vulgar?

I am pretty well assur'd this Cry was to be open'd  
by the *Bowmans* of the Pack last Stage-D.y, *Wittall,*  
*Caufstick,* *Trapstick,* *Bungey,* *Ferret,* and a few other  
Names of Infamy, had been Dieted for a Fortnight  
past, ever since the *Illustrious President's* Regulation of  
Practice, with *Yolks of Eggs,* *Garlick,* *Ising-Glass,*  
and *Liquorice,* to Yelp Loud, and kept under  
Ground to Rave and Foam when they came into  
the Light.

THESE Poor Insects have not prov'd so heady  
as was expected from their Brother Lunaticks: They  
are almost satisfy'd, it's a Poor Batter'd Topick, and  
the *Galenists* would pull them down from the Stage,  
if they should dare to insinuate, that any Irregular  
Practice can be committed, after those open and un-  
disguis'd Assurances from the Great *President.*

I congratulate the good People of *Great Britain;*  
against my Will, upon the Recovery of their Senses:  
They were always a good natur'd Race, and a  
Delusion at Second Hand, plac'd so ridiculously,  
will never work upon the wildest Imagination.

THE Stage may be in Danger, and must for  
ever be, as far as I can Divine: The College Pre-  
scriptions will take place for the Future, they being  
founded upon Reason: The Regulars talk to the

*Stage.*

OUR Tumblers first engag'd the  
their Tricks, and those Tricks confirm'd  
*The Scaramouches* in Black, still playin  
with their Wires.

*N. B.* A Great Irish Wolf Dog, b  
in Flesh, with a Black Shag, and a lo  
by the Name of Bull-Neck, having  
Collar some time since, and run to  
Ireland, if any one finds him, he is  
him to the Lord Santry's Porter in  
ceive Correction, and he shall be reu  
portion to the Merit of the Dog.

The High-German Doctor, N° 46.

By *Atty Brogue*, Physick-Broker.

From Tuesday, Octob. 5, to Friday, Octob. 8. 1714.

*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

**B**Y this time you have seen *Hermoda&yl's Secret History of the Conjuring Wand*: If ever he means any thing, it was design'd, I presume, as an Apology for his Murders, Plunders, taking of double Fees, Dodging, Juggling, and Tricking, with the like: But by a strange Fatality, he has mistaken the End of his Writing, and plung'd himself deeper, in the judgment of the Regulars, than before.

IT's true, he makes us a Set of very Wicked Fellows, and in that he does not much Err: But his Vindication of himself, is as Bitter a Satyr upon his Actions, as his Countenance is upon his Person.

HE pretends he was oblig'd to Work with such Tools as we are, and more from the Exigencies of the Time, than Inclination: But I affirm he could get no other Operators to joyn with him, and it was a Scandal for a *Regular Practitioner* to be seen in his Company.

HE Boasts much of his being for Gentle Doses, Temperate Decoctions, and Lenitive Electuaries; I having been *Physick-Broker* from the first Day of his Practice, must be allow'd to know something, and I never saw any Ingredient made use of in the several Offices, but what was Rough, Resinous, and Corrosive, and fitter for a *French Ass* than an *English Constitution*.

TO convince you of his disposition to Gentle Physick, I need name to you but one *Operator* of his particular choice, *Frank Scammony*, the Lunatick: You may guess at the harmless Prescriptions of the one, by the fiery Operations of the other: *Codicil* was his Creature from the first Minute, and so was *Harry*, of merry Mention: And neither of them were fam'd for Moderation in the *Dispensary*, or the *Surgery*.

THERE was one moderate Tool amongst our Operators, as I recollect, call'd *Cæsius*, who had the Insolence to Reflect on the Adorable *Mirabel*, in the Presence of the Censors; but then his Moderation consisted in an Incapacity for Projecting, and want of Spirit to execute any glorious Mischief to the Regulars of Great Britain.

HE talks of being forc'd to purge sometimes a little too severely for the Constitution; as Cramping down Twelve Bolus's into a Bdy at one time, and then giving Way to that *Occasional Styptick Pill*.

THESE have left such Stains and Blotches on the Constitution, as can never be forgiven, and - for

for that I can, I suppose, he would have them forgotten.

HOW, in the Name of Wonder, had he the Impudence to mount the Stage at first, and put the whole Animal Oeconomy into disorder, or infer a Necessity from the Mischief he did, by his Ignorance, of running it to the last extremity by worse Applications?

THE Constitutions of People were admirably well Temper'd, and Thriving Daily under the care of the Regular Physicians: There was no want of his Mountebank Rarities of Brick-Dust Powder, and Sheep's Pellets: He might have Practis'd in the Skirts of the Town, and gratify'd his Poysoning Appetite where the Poor's Rates run high, without Advancing his Stage to St. James's, with Bunney's Rabble, and Piring the Nation into an Opinion of his Universal Pill.

AND what was the blessed Fijit of this Pill? Why, only Plundering the People's Pockets for Four Years together, for the wonderful Benefit of Spoiling their Complexions, Griping their Bowels, Giving them the French Disease, making the Name of Britons a Word of Scorn and Reproach to all Nations under the Sun, who had ever heard of the Comeliness of their Persons, the Activity and Energy of their Muscles, the uninterrupted State of Health and Vigour they enjoy'd for Nine Years together under the Care and Conduct of the sagacious Mirabel.

YOU see I am upon the Point of Recantation, and a small Assurance, that my Breach of Trust is

the *West-India Dispensary* shall not rise up in Judgment against me, would tempt me to make some discoveries in Brokerage between *Roselle* and *Hermodadyl*, with regard to the Exchange of *French Drags* for Ready Money *English*.

I am an Evidence, you know, from the Impulse of my Native Air; and I long to be Trafficking in my proper Calling. As Artful as *Hermodadyl* has contriv'd his Apology, I pretend to say, It's a downright Begging of all your Senses to believe him, and I think I should know as much of that Secret as ever his chief *Zany*.

To hear *Hermodadyl* boast of laying Restraints on the furious Methods of his *Operators*, is not a little diverting: In the first contest between him and the *Regulars*, I aver, He was the most Heady Quack of our whole Stage, encouraging Tumults against the Venerable Body of *Censors*: Conniving at all the Outrages committed: Setting Fire to two or three Incensive Stages, to which he formerly belong'd; and then offering a Sum of Money, which he had gull'd out of poor deluded *Fonsanelle*, to rebuild them.

By these execrable Methods, all Discipline in Practice was Relax'd; and after his *Operators* were fash'd by his example, no wonder we all run Mad. The most violent Applications, to my knowledge, were us'd, till his Revenge on *Mirabel*, *Fiscaria*, *Sundarius*, and the eloquent *Hortensius* was satiated, and after the Constitution was broken by these Precipitate Measures, it would have been absolute Madness

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H E saw his Danger, and, perhaps, was more apprehensive of it than *Gambol*, or *Codicil*; but this Forecast was more owing to his Puffillanimity, than an Aversion to Mischief.

H E saw the Bold Stands which were made to his frequent Errors in Practice; he found the *Censors* continually protesting against his Palliative Cures, and Daily exposing his Frauds and Collusions to the Publick.

T H E Noble *Hortensius* first in the Higher Rank of *Censors*, could not sit Tamely down under the Impending Plague of *Great Britain*; he found Malignant Specks upon the Liver, the Vitals oppressed, and all the Signs of Mortification over the whole Body. He was Vigilant in his Attendance, exploring the cause of each Symptom, and very successful in his Restoratives.

T H E Persuasive *Euphemius*, amongst the lower Rank of *Censors*, still trac'd his Blunders in Practice; and the bold *Polemius*, always oppos'd the least Deviation from the *Regulars*; the unblemish'd *Devonius* employ'd all the Strength of a great Genius, and a true *English* Spirit, against all the Chicane of his *French* and *Spanish* Prescriptions.

T H E Penetrating *Argilius* would not be impos'd on by the Gilded Pill, and chose rather to abandon all the Profits of the Stage, than see the Constitution Min'd by his desperate Specifick.

A M O N G S T this Regular Band, we cannot refuse due Honour to the Noble *Celsus*, who always

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took fire at the least Innovation in Practice, ving rescu'd the Honour of the College once at in making their Fees due Sterling, was Infle any base Alloy, and knew the Constitution Climate too well, to admit of any Foreign M in his Prescriptions.

THESE, with many other Illustrious kept the whole Frame from being dissolv check'd *Hermodactyl* in his pernicious Course say, he kept the Conjuring-Wand in his Po long, with an Eye to the Publick Good, w many Black Conspiracies were carried on aga *Illustrious President* and the *Censors*, reflects Honour either upon his Honest, or Physical Ca

I F he was in the Secret, and really abhor Nefarious Practices, why did he not unra Scheme, expose the Parricides to publick Rese make his Recantation and their Crimes appe lick to the *Censors*?

B U T since so much is allow'd by him, *Zinies*, by way of Apology, there is room that the Day is not very distant when the Stage will be confounded, and a Real one se the *Tower-Hamlets*, whereon some of these Operators may Act their last part, and show without an Head.

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## The High-German Doctor. N° 47.

By *Atty Brogue, Physick-Broker.*

*From Friday, Oct. 8. to Tuesday, Oct. 12. 1714.*

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*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

**T**H E Epidemical Distemper amongst the Brothers of the Stage increases daily, and begins to break out in violent Symptoms: The most usual Symptoms are; Hanging down their Heads, like the Sick Cows in the Out-Parishes; Very Pensive for an Hour; Taking Snuff with an affected Toss; dark Hints; and concluding their Grimace with an old Proverb, *Fair and Softly goes far.*

**T**HE Scaramouches, who are too happy in their boasted Tenures; and Wanton with Luxury, instead of applying proper Opiates, are continually Feeding this Malignity, and working the Blood into a Favour by talking too Loud, and Discomposing the poor People's Heads, with the Cry of the poor languishing State of the Stage.

**T**HE Security they have in their Wages heightens their Insolence, and transports them often into

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Fits of Madness; which if incur'd in Time, endanger the *Regulars*; & bring a lasting Tempt upon all Ratic P tice.

*TOM Megrin*, of *A gbl*, continues to roar in a Deluge of Punch, *that the President will al ne Linnen to the Scaramouches of the Stage*; & their Hanging-Sleeves are to be shorten'd, and *Ch* are to become the fashionable Dress.

IT would raise Indignation in a Man of Phlegm than my self, to hear that profligate Qu who has to answer for the Dissection of a *Clan* in *Dublin*, for Mangling her Reputation and Pe first, and then Consigning her over to a Young ramoucb, sigh over the Danger of the Stage, w he claims a Stone from every Hand for his flag Immortalities.

OF this Race are most of these pretty Gentle in Hanging-Sleeves; who, whenever they are cry out the Danger of the Stage, you may be sure it Blind, only to get an Opportunity of Deliveri Packet into one of your Wives or Daughters Hand

I protest to you, I think we whom the *Scaramou* call the *Younger Brothers of the Stage*, have very equal Usage from the *Regulars*. If we chance Poyson a few Spare People, as Heaven knows we ways do, whenever we are entrusted with a Cor tution, the Clamour instantly bears us down, and are turn'd off the Stage without any Ceremony.

IF the same Rigour was in force against the *Scaramouches*, that Incontinence of Tongue would be cur'd, and rather than Travel with a *Staff* *Bogu*

Brogue's; they would dam up their Mouths, and foam inwardly.

TO see a College of *Regular Physicians* embarrass'd every Four Years, by *Tricksters, Desperadoes, French Operators, Rakes*, and the very Dregs of Mankind, is somewhat amazing; and considering upon what a firm Bottom the *Regulars* are, and the slender one we poor Vagrants are, tempts me to think sometimes, that either the *Regulars* are not sufficiently upon their Guard, or that they are scar'd at the *Scaramouches* showing Tricks with live Coals in their Mouths.

IF their Frauds, their Legerdemains, their Enormities, their *Roman Packets*, and Disaffection to the Great President, were once display'd in a proper Light, the Audience would soon distinguish between the empty Noise of the Stage, and their real Impieties, which make that Cry so necessary to be kept up.

SHOULD I recapitulate the specifick Lewdness of *Bunney*, his Execrations against that blessed Antidote left us by the Great President *William*, of Immortal Memory, for the Cure of all *Italian Poyson*, all true *Britons* in the Interest of the illustrious President, would bury him in the Ruins of the Stage at St. Andrew's: But the Wretch has the Mercy of *Tat-hill Fields* to hope for, amongst the *Salt-spinsters* of his Communion.

THAT infamous and ignorant Coin-Cutter of *White-Chappel*, would be forc'd to carry the Offals of his Precinct, to relieve the more sensible Creatures, who walk the Streets with a Ring in their Muzzle, and a Shagg'd Coat.

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SUCH Creatures are to be of their Elec  
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of their Members spoilt'a their proper Talents  
teaching them to Write and Read, and Genius m  
have taken place, it would have lain chiefly to  
*Bear-Garden, Tossing the Bar, Playing at Cudgels,*  
*or Edg'd Har, and Morris-Dancing.*

I well remember, before the President's happy A  
rival among us, the *Scaramouches* and *Fire-Men*  
the Stage confidently gave out, That there was a gie  
Analogy between his Prescriptions and theirs ; th  
his Bills were pretty near a *Roman Hand* ; that h  
was always for High Cordials in his Practice ; an  
warn'd the *Galenists* against being too warm in their  
Expectations.

IT's pleasant to observe the Mutability of these  
Animals ; no sooner had the President recompenc'd  
the *Galenists* for their Fidelity, and Religious Ad  
herence to his Right of being plac'd in the Chair of  
the College, but with an unanimous Bellow, they  
spread a Jealousy of his giving into the *Leyden* and  
*Geneva* methods of Practice.

THE Inconfistencies of these Wretches are more  
nauseous than their *Murders*, their *Perjuries*, and  
*Plunders*. The Great President will always Govern  
according to t' Establish'd Rules of the *College* ; is  
not to be perverted by a specious Commendation o  
*Roman Nostrums*, or *French Causticks*. He never was  
addicted to *Phlebotomy* abroad ; and knows the Tem  
perament of *Great Britain* too well, to admit of it  
frequently in his Practice.

If the *Scaramouches* affect to be sawcy, and will  
offend

offend that dread Power lodg'd in the Great President, they may be the First, perhaps, who will experience a necessary Severity of Practice.

THE Robe, upon which the Scaramouses value themselves so much, if once it becomes Infamous, by repeated Opposition to the Great President's Title, and generous Declarations upon his being plac'd in the Chair, I hope their Skins will pay for the continu'd Cheat of the Robe, and one be stript after the other.

IF the Merits of the Scaramouses Lamentations were to be curiously enquir'd into, we should find them Centre in the following Articles: *The Stage is in Danger.* —

IMPRIMIS, Because the President is rather for Encouraging the Consumption of Faggots in a Baker's Oven than at Smithfield.

BEC AUSE he thinks burning Matches at the Ends of People's Fingers, has something too cruel in its Operation.

BEC AUSE he does not approve of Dredding People's Flesh, to know the Inside of their Hearts.

BEC AUSE he does not allow Cramming down a Medicine, which he knows will not work kindly, and he is sure the Patient will throw it up again.

BEC AUSE the Great President is not for Purging roughly, when Lenitives have been experienc'd to agree best with the Constitution.

BEC AUSE he abhors a Separation of Parts, where the Texture may be conveniently Preserv'd.

IN fine, Because the President is a mortal Enemy to Man-Hunting.

THESE are the chief Reasons for the Scar-

maus

mouches Complaints amongst their sanguinary Crew ; but I could add one more out of my Head, viz. Their Friends so unexpectedly, and suddenly displac'd, and they disappointed.

WHY, poor *Harlequin*, Is the President to be Govern'd by the shuffling Tricks and Artifices of the despicable *Hermoda&yyl*? That Quack, upon his first Mounting, had tore up the very Foundations of Regular Practice ; and put both Body and Mind into Confusion. He was oblig'd at that Juncture to gain Proselytes to the Stage at the last Expence of Words, of Oaths, and Money ; and wheedle in a few Regulars to countenance his execrable Practice, to patch up Cures ; and still pretend he was going on upon the *College Prescriptions*, whilst he was laying Trains for Blowing up the Constitution.

BUT be it known to you, ye Blazing-Stars, and Portenders of all Mischief, the Great President is upon another Bottom : He comes to retrieve the languishing Honour of Regular Practice ; to strike Terror into Rebellious Quacks ; and support the Fair and Honest Practitioner. It's the Indubitate Right of the President, to Place, and Displace, *pro re natâ*, and make Examples of those who resist his Authority.

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The High-German Doctor. N° 48.

By *Atty Brogue, Physick-Broker.*

From Tuesday, Octob. 12. to Friday, Octob. 15. 1714.

*Gentlemen and Ladies,*

THE Pen-Rencounters between *Hermodatyl* and *Harry Gambol* have been so warm alate, and entertaining withall, that I cannot, with any Colour of Justice, deny the Publick a share in the Pleasure I receiv'd from the Perusal of *Marry's* last Letter to *Hermodatyl*.

I never knew two Confederates in Mischief furnish out so many Materials for their Enemies to work on. They are every Day drawing up their own Indictments, and making such discoveries of Errors in Practice, by Transferring their Guilt from one to the other, that the *Censors* will have little to do, than to wish them a good Journey to the last Stage.

IT's a great Mercy they have so much time allow'd them for Repentance; *Harry* seems to make the best use of that Opportunity by his Retirement: Whilst the presumptive Hope of *Hermodatyl*, makes him careless in his Preparations, and affect to Live.

HAB

*HARRY* is offended beyond Computation, as *Hermodadyl's Secret History of the White Conjuring Wand*, he says, it's such a Poor Sneaking Confession, that the Fellow ought to be Hang'd more for his Meanness than his Roguery: But not to detain you any longer, take *Harry's Letter*.

• **T**HERE is not so Abject a Wretch as *Hermodadyl* walks the Earth: Thou hast more Tricks than a Juggler, more Meanness than a Slave, less Shame than a Common Prostitute, and just as much Sense as a Scaramouch, when he talks of a Constitution.

• "I have curs'd my self a Thousand times, for serving thee in the Quality of a Tumbler, when I could have set forth Doctor at first, with as much Skill, and much better Graces, thy Looks still foreboding Mischief.

• HAD I Mounted, I would, by this time, have been above Writing Apologies for Errors in Practice, or Arraigning any of my Operators: The World always knew you to be the Doctor, our Skill to be pretty equal, but your Malice superiour; and therefore Transferring the Blame, is so far from Extenuating your Crimes, that they are rather magnify'd by it, and looks like the last Refuge of a Malefactor.

• BUT we know your drift, dear Doctor, you would fain raise a Blind before the Eyes, and divert our Thoughts from dwelling upon your particular Errors by a few Amuzements, and many

many Hints at the of your  
Operators.

I can trace you to the Original ; and as much as you affect to act behind the Scenes, can bring you upon the Stage at Pleasure. You know there are many things to account for to the World, whilst you was in the *Surgery*: The Life of your poor Stoker seems to call for a little further Enquiry: And a few Packets that you have dropp'd carelessly, have been laid up very carefully.

BUT setting aside these, and some other Memorandums of Practice, it would do me good in my Solitude, to know one single Prescription, whereby you have afflicted the Constitution of Great Britain, or prevented the Ruin of it.

THE *Pacifick Draught* you will allow to be entirely your own, which has thrown all the People, of Europe into a Lethargy, till within these few Months, and interrupted the Circulation of Great Britain, to such a degree, that all the Juices by this time would have stagnated, if the President had not prescrib'd some opening Medicines.

THE Check that was laid upon one of your Operators abroad, for Purging *Le Grand Petit* at a time when the Season was very kindly, and the Physick would have work'd to Admiration, claims you for its Author, the Powder of Dragon's Blood, which was sent to the Barcelonians, I hope was purely by your direction, and how many poor People were Murder'd after you had Sworn so often to take care of them in their Extremities, I leave you to Reflect on, if such a Puny Breach of Faith

" can

\* can find room in a Brain so Crowded with Wickedness of the first Magnitude.

\* AFTER all these are allow'd to be your own most Ingenious Nostrums, and dispens'd with great diligence by *Mat. Rummel*, that Trusty Disposer of your Packets in Foreign Parts, how have you Dear Doctor, consulted our Constitutions?

\* YOUR Method, I own, has been very particular, you have impoverish'd our Blood, to better our Complexions; reduc'd us to a low Diet, in order to look Plumper; and had almost brought us to eat *Dandelion*, as Natural as a *French-Man*, and yet all the while consulted the Health of Great Britain.

\* BUT you were forc'd, good Doctor, to comply with this *French Practice*, to keep some of your Heady Operators in Humour: I am sure without we had kept up to an equal Pace with you in that Biery Method, you had been Plaguily out of Humour.

\* WHEN you sent me upon one of your Fool Errands to Ratify a Contract your Friend *Ma* had made with *Le Grand Petit*, I can assure you that all the Hospitals and Accademy of Paris ran with your Fame; and tho' you disguis'd your self under the Title of a *High-German*, or a Welsh Doctor here, you was reckon'd there, the true French Practitioner in Great Britain.

\* WHAT have you gain'd by your Recantation Only this: That as you was never Belov'd by an Man, so now you are Hated by all.

\* THE Regulars despise you, and, I Gad, clair

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DOCTO :

' their Hands on their Pockets when you are in  
' Company. The Chymical Men wait for a Calci-  
' nation of you. The Scaramouches curse you in  
' their Way.

' FRANK Scammony vows he will never pardon  
you, for exposing him so publickly about his Love  
to Young Jacob, and the French Practice, and for  
Proclaiming a chance Oath dropp'd upon the Con-  
jurings Wand's being dispos'd of: From one of his  
Fire, joyn'd to so great a disappointment, I ex-  
pected a Volley.

' I must not forget, in the Close, to Congratulate  
you upon the new acquir'd Magick of your Tongue,  
and the Irresistible Force of Five Words upon the  
Ear, which you, or your Zany, assures the World  
of, very confidently: It might have charm'd one  
Person, or rather posseſſ'd her, for all that I know,  
but Twenty would not have charm'd another, be-  
cause neither I, nor any Man alive, could ever  
apprehend you: I that know the Power of thy Elo-  
quence, am satisfy'd, had there been no more Ma-  
gick in thy Wand, than in thy Tongue, the Censors  
would soon have spoil'd thy Mounting.

Gambol.

The

think it not *Hemane* in them to Inlu  
devoted himself to save them : But if  
to leave a Limb or so in Pawn for i  
I shall be reckon'd the better Man  
Sacrifice for a Firmness in Wickedne  
who Recant to the Faces of the *Reg*  
retain the same Rancour against them

SOME of these I find admitted to  
with the *Regularis*, and boast confid  
always having an Eye to the Consti  
the Sanguine Preparations they we  
Daily in Consult with the Triumvirate  
I was Master of all the Ingredients ; a  
Two Years, when our Prescriptions i  
*Salt Petre* and *Brimstone*, I observ'd the  
verts in Phyfick as busy in Grinding, a  
Trains, as any of the Desperadoes.

T U E D A Y . — — — — —

rd one Example of such Transcendent Roguery  
ourag'd.

ould be apt to hope for some Indulgence to my  
nes, if that Popular Rumour could be made Real,  
it the Friends of the *Regulars* are Neglected, and  
ompromise going on betwixt the *College* and the  
thers of the *Stage*.

MPUNITY granted to these Men, makes  
n secretly contemn that Power by which they  
; Remission of Punishment soon raises them to  
confidence; that Confidence soon strengthens to  
eire of Rule; and then an Usurpation over the  
ights of the *College*, Fury and Fire being their  
inguishing Badge in Power.

'RANK Scammony has begg'd of me to show  
Parts at the Conclusion.

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## The High-German Doctor. N° 50.

### *Atty Brogue, Physick-Broker.*

\* Tuesday, Octob. 19. to Friday, Octob. 22. 1714.

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*gentlemen and Ladies,*

I AM the Curse of Impotence, Modesty, and  
Self-Denial; Nay one equal to that, Stinging  
ppointment, of not having a *Privy Signet*, light  
n *Frank Scammony*, for not Composing my last  
'e Speech. From this Moment I am resolv'd  
O never

never to p . . . n . . . w . . . each. If  
Man takes one of se Lazy Fel w's out of th  
beaten Road of a ! . . . I F irague once a Wed  
he must give him a ! . . . it's Notice, to Men  
with a tolerable G , . . . then be forc'd to ti  
him a Guinea, at leait, for a clumsy Panegyric  
which very often proves a lasting Satyr upon th  
Family.

I promis'd my self better Usage from this Me  
cenary, as being a Brother of the Stage; and I  
having the Reputation of a *Period Doctor*, thought  
of making my *Exit* with the *False Sublime*.

WITH what Vows did he bind himself to all  
the last *Stage-Day*? By my Show, I fancy he has  
got a knack of Sweating and Atjuring, either to  
Spleen or Diversion, according to the laudable Me  
thod of his Brother *Scaramouches*.

HIS Gay Coach being Sold; his Conscience mad  
over to *Lucifer*, with a Promise of never being dis  
turb'd in that Quarter, he told me, with an Incon  
municable Confidence, That he would bring me a  
Clean, and Fire the Audience up to the same Blas  
as he and his Fellow-Labourers did, in that Spec  
they Compos'd for *Bungey*.

I, with a true Irish Simplicity, believ'd this a  
fuming Quack, and resign'd up to him all the Notes  
I could Steal out of the Private Office, with  
*Harry's Surgery*; but when I came for Instructioins  
I found him counting over Groats, and Sixpences  
with a Coin commonly call'd, *the Hangman's Wage*.

G R E A T *Esculapius*, says I, is this Scaramou  
turn'd Usurer? How came you by these Fees, go  
Dodo

Doctor? Not the result of your Skill, I presume: It should be Poor's Money, by the Small Pieces.

MY Curiosity led me further, and I saw an Account of *Stage Prices*, and *Items* for Places on Scaffolds, from Twelve to Four Deep, no Money return'd to the *Invalids*, who broke either Leg or Arm in the Fall.

THIS was entirely out of my Element, and I began to Query with him about my Stage Speech when he, with a stiffer Air than what he Mounts in the little Sanctuary, told me, That a certain Patient of his, call'd *Mammon*, must be prefer'd to all other Obligations, Sacred or Civil.

YOU will believe I had just reason to usher in my Resentments with an *Ara G——d*, &c. But Checking my self, I told him, very mildly, That I could, upon second Thoughts, in some measure, forgive him for Non-performance, considering how much he was troubled with an Overflowing of the Gall last *Wednesday*.

I pity'd thee, poor *Frank*, in that uneasy Station, says I, it was worse than a Sweating-Tub, to be oblig'd to give those Ensigns of Dignity to another, which thou hadst reserv'd for young *Jacob*.

HERE I was interrupted; and *Frank* lowering his Crest a little, told me, I was an incompetent Judge of his Heart; That he own'd what had pass'd between us, when the *Stage* was in its full Glory, should always be the Standard of his Judgment. But there are such Unsanctify'd Things, as *Premuwires*, (says he) which I don't much care for Incurring: I have been a little busy heretofore, and as

narrowly Watch'd by Twelve Regulars, who Prescribe all Term-Time in *Westminster-Hall*. I don't much care for Forfeiting Person, Goods, and Chattels to the *President*, unless upon an extraordinary Call.

YOU know, in my private Thoughts, I own no Jurisdiction Superior to my Cloath, and Colours: But Doctors differ.

DEAR Honey now, Reply'd I, Was not you liqu'd to the Quick last *Wednesday*? Prethee, *Frank*, be plain with me; How did you like the most Polit and Learned Physician of *Oxford* on that Day?

DOES not he flick pretty close to the Region of your Spleen? That Harangue of his to the *President* and *Censors*, has work'd up all the Furies in your Breast. I know, honest *Frank*, you are not so good at Laying, as Raising a Devil.

TO be so far out-dose upon your own Ground, must be very Mortifying. Where are your Periods now? Your fine *Diction*, *Proprieties*, and a Thousand other Graces of Language you boasted of? Faith *Frank*, I think we must e'en keep thee to School a *Westminster* the whole Year, instead of going thre Days in the Month of *May*, according to Custom. The *Oxford Doctor* has Dislanc'd you, beyond eve coming in with him.

THE tenderest Arraignment of *Frank Scammon*'s Parts, you must understand, Fiers him beyond the blackest Charge of *Atheism*: And if poor *Bungey*'s Anathema's had not been expos'd to the last Degree of Contempt, I am perswaided he would have take

with a Coupl: of large Keys, and flourish'd them about  
my Ears.

**F**RANK, to make short, was very cleverly  
bold, and my Irish Impudence weigh'd down the  
Scale. By my Shoul, I find if one strips a Scara-  
mouch of his assum'd and stiff Airs, and brings him  
to Talk up to the Standard of us Modern Gentlemen,  
he has little to say for himself, or support him, but  
a Forked Tongue, and a Fund of Venom in the  
Limbs.

If Frank had been suffer'd to Harangue the Pres-  
idents, the Scene would have been Diverting enough.  
To have heard him cry up the Supreme Power of the  
Scaramouches, above the Great President, had prov'd  
a good Farce; and nothing but his own Book, of  
the Scaramouches Authority of Riding a Wife or  
a Daughter, could be a better.

YOU will not wonder at my being so much in-  
terested against Scammony, when you have the Grasp  
of the Secret: Before my Departure, I thought it  
proper to give you a short History of the Rise, Pro-  
gress, and Consumption of Stage-Practice. This Frank  
undertook, in order to give a Coup d' Eclat to the  
Operators, and make the Stage Bright in its Declen-  
sion.

UPON his Failure, the Brothers of the Stage  
left it to me; sure Sign of an Abandon'd Cause,  
when a notorious Juggle of Four Years is to be sup-  
pised by Irish Blunders. If I may be allow'd to  
give my confus'd Notions of the Stage in Epitome,  
take these.

WE, in the first Place, set forth upon the Nar-  
O 3 TOWNS

lowest Bottom, scarce kno<sup>t</sup> to e<sup>t</sup> ot <sup>t</sup>, but by  
a Sympathetick Wickedness, divided in all Princi-  
ples, but that of *Publick Robbery*. In short, the most  
Mutley Confederacy that ever United: The Chief  
of us from the *Bogs*, and the *Highlands*; our Prose-  
lytes made up of Renegado *Regulars*, Roman *Oper-  
ators*, *Scaramouches*, and *Fife-Men* of the same Com-  
plexion; the Leader of this Blessed Society a Cre-  
ature so despicable, that nothing but Fate could ever  
have given us up to his Direction; always Fearful,  
and Watching the Turn of the Scale; the Brave  
*Harry* ever Drinking, ever Melting; *Rub* always  
Bowling; *Cæsus* affecting Wickedness, for the sake  
of Blue Leading-Strings; *Wildfire* always dividing  
Legs, from whence his Fruitful Brains struck on  
Schism; *Scammony* making Gun-Powder; *Bungey*,  
and his Brother Stokers, filling up the Stage Roc-  
kets, and Firing them. From such a Union, great  
Father of Cheats deliver us.

*N. B.* The *Stage* being Dismantled, and *Operators*  
Disbanded, upon the Score of Insufficiency and In-  
famy, I determine to Mount others less Obnoxious;  
go into more General Life in my next Volume, and  
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sionally, as they offend.



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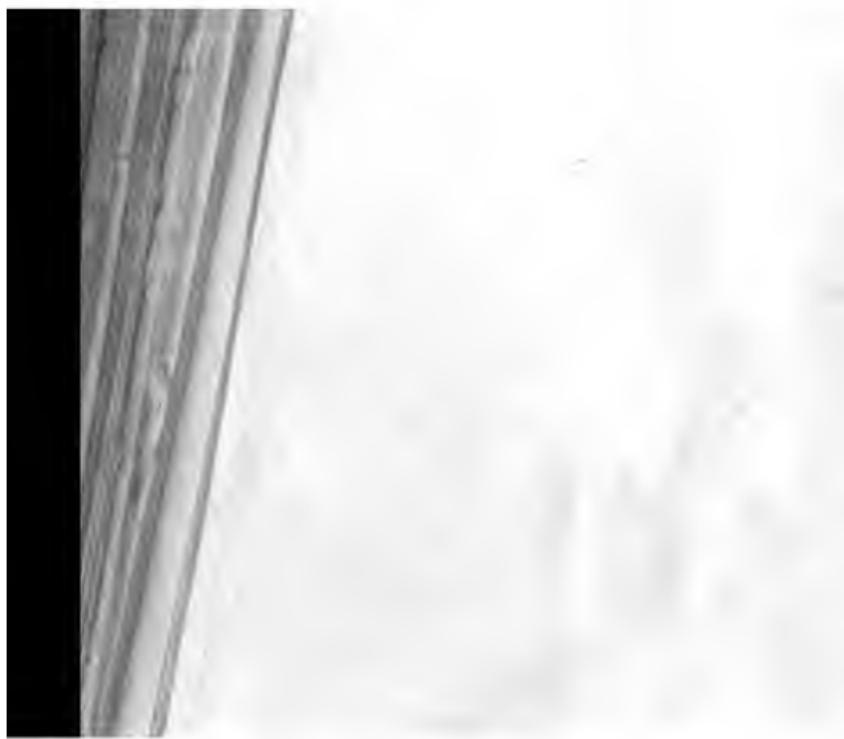
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